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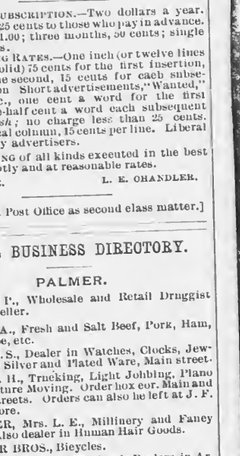

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brother Will,
When we were boys together in the schoolhouse
on the hill.
Well I recall the nights at home, when side by
side we sat
Before the fire, and o'er these books indulged in
whispered chat,
And how, when father chided us for idling time
away,
Our eyes bent to the task as though they'd never
been astray.
The old-time proverbs scribbled here, the caution
to beware
("Steal not this book, my honest friend") scrawled
roughly here and there.
The blurs, the blots, the luncheon spots, the
nameless dog's ears,
The faded names, the pictures, and, alas! the
stains of tears,
All take me back in mind to days when cloudless
was the sky,
When grief was so short lived I smiled before
my tears were dry;
When, next to father's angry frown, I feared the
awful nod
That doomed me, trembling, to advance and
humbly kiss the rod.
How bright those days! our little cares, our
momentary fears,
And o'en our pains, vanished with a burst of
sobs and tears.
And every joy seemed great enough to balance
all our woe,
What pity that when griefs are real they can't be
balanced so!
The schoolhouse stands in ruins now, the boys
have scattered wide;
A few are old and gray like me, but nearly all
have died;
And brother Will is one of these; his curly head
was laid
Down by the brook, at father's side, beneath the
willow's shade.
These books, so quaint and queer to you, to me
are living things;
Each tells a story of the past and each a message
brings,
Whene'er I sit, at eventide, and turn their pages
o'er,
They seem to speak in tones that thrilled my
heart in days of yore.
The schoolboy of to-day would laugh and throw
these old books by;
But think you, neighbor, could his heart consent
if he were I?

—*R. W. McAlpine, in Harper's Young Folks.*

THE THIEF ON THE SHIP.

"Mrs. Melhurst's compliments, sir, and would you please come down to her stateroom immediately?"

I had just shut myself in my little office on deck, having run through the ship accounts before turning in that night. It is quite a mistake, by the way, to think that we pursers have no more onerous duties to perform when at sea than to watch over the passengers' comfort, read papers on Sunday, and keep a store of nautical information at our finger ends for the benefit of every curious voyager. Nowadays the purser of a crack American liner—making, perhaps a record passage of six days or so—has his work pretty well cut out for him during the entire voyage.

On the present occasion I had scarcely got my accounts fairly in hand when I was interrupted by a slight tap at the door. I arose at once and opened it, and there stood Mrs. Melhurst's Canadian maid, with a flushed face and nervous, agitated manner.

"Is there anything wrong?" I asked with some surprise, when she had delivered her message.

"There is, sir," she replied, hastily.

"All I know—"

She was about to make some other statement, but pulled herself up suddenly and tripped along the deck without another word.

I switched off the electric light, locked the door, and hurried away after her. When I got to Mrs. Melhurst's stateroom, I saw at once that something had occurred to cause her serious anxiety. The berths, the couch, and even the floors were littered with the contents of cabin trunks and hand bags. In the midst of the confusion stood the lady herself, looking decidedly perplexed and annoyed.

"This is very singular, Mr. Morse," she said, pointing to an empty jewel-case which lay open on the upper berth. "My diamond ornaments are missing."

"You don't say so!" I exclaimed, in sheer astonishment.

"I do say so!" she replied, sharply. "You can see for yourself that they are gone."

"How did it happen?"

"I cannot possibly tell you. At dinner this evening I happened to mention to Mrs. Latimer that I had picked up a certain cresent-shaped brooch on the continent. She expressed a wish to see it. When the tables were cleared I came in here, took out the brooch, and left the jewel case lying on the berth, but when I got back the case was empty."

"How long were you absent?"

"Not more than half an hour."

I was totally staggered. I examined the lock carefully, but there was absolutely nothing to show that it had been tampered with. I could hit upon no better suggestion than that Mrs. Melhurst might possibly have mislaid the jewels somewhere. This had the sole effect of exasperating the lady to such a degree—for it seems that she had already searched every nook and corner in the cabin—that I was glad to beat a retreat in order to lay the matter before the captain.

I had just got to the head of the saloon stairs when I heard some one hounding up after me, three or four steps at a time. I turned and saw Mr. Carter—who, by the way, had made several voyages with us on previous occasions.

"I say, Mr. Morse," he said, taking me confidentially by the arm, "you've got some customers on board this trip."

"How so?"

"Why, some one's gone and walked off with my silver cigarette case, a couple of rings, and a pair of gold—"

"The deuce!"

"Well, it looks uncommonly like as if the individual you refer to had a hand in the business, for I don't see how any ordinary mortal could get into one's cabin, with the door bolted on the inside, unless he managed to squeeze through the porthole."

'Pon my word, things were beginning to look serious and no mistake! I lost no time in hunting up the captain, and made him acquainted with the state of affairs. He was just as much puzzled as I was myself. The first thing next morning he sent a message to Mrs. Melhurst, requesting a private interview in his cabin on deck. He also signified his wish that I should be present. We both questioned the lady closely, but her replies did not tend to throw any light upon the singular occurrence.

Nevertheless, we determined to keep a close watch upon the stateroom in future. It was pretty evident we had a "black sheep" on board—probably an old hand at the business. For the next few days we had no further complaints. The thief was evidently "lying low," waiting until tranquility was restored before making a fresh attempt. Meanwhile I kept my eyes open. I observed the little peculiarities of the different passengers, and took particular note of the manner in which they occupied their time.

On board ship, when you find a man who shows a marked preference for his own society above that of the loungers on deck or habitues of the smoke room, one is inclined to jump at the conclusion that he has some solid reason for his exclusiveness. If, in addition to this, he happens to be of an uncommunicative disposition, with black hair and swarthy complexion, given to wearing a slouch hat and long coat—rightly or wrongly, you put him down as a decidedly suspicious character.

Now, we happened to have a passenger on board—a Brazilian named De Castro—who tallied in every way with this description. But for the fact that I had conclusive evidence to show he could not have been directly concerned in the robberies—for inquiries proved he had remained on deck the whole evening—he certainly would have been treated to a private interview in the captain's cabin. As it was, I was forced to conclude that black hair, swarthy complexion, slouch hat and cloak were quite compatible with a man's innocence.

Nothing further occurred to excite suspicion until the last day or two of the voyage. Then, one evening after dinner, word was brought to me that three other staterooms had been rifled in the same mysterious manner. Watches, jewelry, and even money had disappeared, though in all three cases the passengers had stoutly declared they had left their doors locked.

When the alarm reached me I happened to be standing in my desk office. I had in my hand 20 sovereigns, which I had just taken in exchange for American money to accommodate one of our passengers. I didn't wait to lock up the gold; I simply placed it on my desk, switched off the light, and hurried away. I had no fear for the safety of the sovereigns, my door having a particularly intricate lock, in which I took good care to turn the key before leaving.

I remained below for an hour or so, investigating these fresh complaints, but, as in the other cases, I was utterly unable to make head or tail of them. Vexed and bewildered, I went back to my office, unlocked the door, turned on the light, and mechanically stretched out my hand to take the sovereigns from my desk. My hand closed upon nothing more solid than thin air—my little pile of gold had vanished!

For a moment or two I stood there gazing blankly before me, so utterly confused that I could scarcely bring my wits to hear upon the mysterious affair. Then I managed to pull myself together and took a look around my little cabin. In the course of my observation my eye happened to rest upon the porthole, which stood wide open, weather being oppressively hot.

I regarded the innocent-looking porthole with the air of a veritable Sherlock Holmes. I went outside and thrust my arm in through the opening, but my hand did not reach within fully two yards of the desk. Still, it struck me as being the only way by which the thief could have got at the money, and I determined to put my theory to a practical test.

I hurried into the saloon, where most of the passengers were congregated. As yet few of them were aware of the robbery, for we had kept the matter as secret as possible. I went straight up to a young American gentleman whom I knew had a great many trinkets in his stateroom, and was rather careless too, in the way he left them lying about.

"Don't show any surprise," I whispered, glancing around at the other occupants of the saloon, "but might I ask whether your stateroom is locked?"

"It is."

"Well, just pass me your key; I want to try a little experiment. Wait till I'm gone, and then stroll up on deck. Let yourself be seen—on the lower deck particularly—but don't pay too close attention to anyone you may notice loitering there."

I went and shut myself in the stateroom, crouching down so that I could keep an eye on the porthole over the top of the lower berth. I remained in that cramped position until my limbs fairly ached, and I was half inclined to give it up as a bad job.

But suddenly, as I glanced up at the porthole, my blood ran cold, and in all my life I never had such difficulty to keep down a yell. In the dim light I saw a long, thin, hairy arm thrust in through the opening. The next moment a small black hand had fastened upon a leather case lying close to the window and withdrew it as quick as thought almost.

I sprang to my feet and bolted outside into the passage. I dashed up the saloon stairs and made for the lower deck. There, just above the spot where I judged the stateroom to be situated, I came face to face with the Brazilian, De Castro. In spite of the heat he was wearing his long cloak with the deep cape, and had his eternal cigarette between his teeth. He looked at me with an air of frank surprise, and I looked at him with an air of profound suspicion.

Suddenly a happy thought flashed through my mind. I turned round and sprang down the saloon stairs, running full tilt against the chief steward, who was standing at the bottom.

"Get me a handful of nuts—quick!" I cried.

When he brought them I hurried back on deck. The Brazilian had moved away a little toward the stern. I went close up, stood right in front of him, and then began deliberately to crack the nuts.

He regarded me with a pitying sort of look, but I paid little attention to him. Presently I saw a corner of the cape drawn aside, and behind a pair of small, gleaming eyes fixed greedily upon me.

It was enough. My suspicions were confirmed. I flung the rest of the nuts in the sea, and walking straight up to De Castro, said:—

"I must ask you to accompany me to the captain's cabin."

"Vot you mean?" he asked, drawing back.

I was determined to stand no nonsense, and straightway took him by the shoulders. The moment I laid my hands upon him I heard a vicious snarl under his cape; it was pulled suddenly aside, and out flew a monkey.

The little brute went at me tooth and nail. I saw the gleam of a knife, too, in the Brazilian's hand, but I let him have my fist straight between the eyes before he could use it, and he measured his length upon the deck.

The quartermaster came running up, and the rascal was dragged off to the captain's cabin. When searched there, Mrs. Melhurst's diamonds, Mr. Carter's cigarette case and rings, and a miscellaneous collection of other valuables were found upon him. In his stateroom we discovered a perforated box, apparently intended for the use of the monkey, who was evidently quite as accomplished as his master.—*Cassell's Journal.*

"How long," inquired the eastern potentate, "has the young man been in the treadmill?"

"Two weeks, oh conquering king. And he told me yesterday that he was having a fine time, although the scenery was getting monotonous."

"Two weeks? Great Allah! Who is he, anyway?"

"He claims he is an American bicycle scorcher; but what that might be I know not."—*Puck.*

True Nobility.

For this true nobleness I seek in vain,
In woman and in man I find it not;
I almost weary of my earthly lot,
My life springs are dried up with burning pain.
Then find'st it not? I pray thee look again,
Look inward through the depths of thine own soul.
How is it with thee? Art thou sound and whole?
Doth narrow search show thee no earthly stain?
Be noble! and the nobleness that lies
In other men, sleeping, but never dead,
Will rise in majesty to meet thine own;
Then wilt thou see it gleam in many eyes,
Then will light around thy path be shed,
And then wilt never more be sad and lone.

—*James Russell Lowell.*

MAPLE SUGAR LEGEND.

According to tradition the discovery of maple sugar was purely accidental. It is said that before starting on a hunting trip one morning, Woksis, the mighty Indian Nimrod, bade Moqua, his squaw, to boil for him before his return a juicy cut of moose meat. Moqua filled her kettle with clean snow and hung it over the crackling fire in the tepee. Then she sat down and began mending her lord's moccasins. So absorbed did she become in this work that she forgot all about the kettle and its contents.

The fire grew brighter and the flames rose higher, until they leaped up and burned the bark cord from which was suspended the kettle. Without warning the utensil fell into the fire, the contents were spilled and the fire was extinguished. Moqua leaped to her feet. She quickly righted the kettle, obtained a new bark cord and again suspended the kettle in the customary manner. It was growing late. Woksis had told Moqua that he would return when the shadows of evening were falling across the tepee door. Moqua was at her wit's ends. It was too late to think of melting more snow in which to boil the moose meat. What was to be done? Moqua was a resourceful squaw. She filled the kettle with sap drawn from the big maple back of the tepee.

This sap Woksis was in the habit of drinking in the evening when entertaining company. In a short time the cut of moose meat was in the midst of boiling sap. Moqua had resumed her mending. Deep in thought again she gave little heed to the kettle and its contents. Time sped on, the sap boiled low. Then a smell of burning pervaded the tepee. Moqua, with an exclamation of fear and anger, rushed to the kettle. Then she smote her breast and gave vent to wild cries. The sap was a thick, unattractive dark brown substance, while the meat was shriveled and blackened. Quickly Moqua snatched the pot from the fire.

Just then she heard Woksis approaching. He was a terrible man when aroused and Moqua feared him greatly. The shivering little Indian woman stole silently out through the rear of the tepee and hid herself in a nearby thicket. Woksis entered the tepee. Moqua listened in vain for some angry exclamation. At last she summoned enough courage to steal from her hiding place and crept to a spot that afforded her a view of the interior of the wigwam. What she saw made her senses reel with surprise. Woksis sat by the fire eating from the kettle. Supreme contentment and pleasure were pictured on his countenance. He ate rapturously. After each morsel he rolled his eyes and smaked his lips with great gusto. Moqua watched him until the last bit of the kettle's contents had disappeared; then she slowly ventured into the wigwam. Woksis greeted her with a cry of joy. He could not believe that the faithful Moqua had conceived the marvel of cookery. He thought that Klose-kur-heh, an Indian god, must have been her instructor. Moqua was tactful; she allowed Woksis to believe what he pleased.

"Embrace me, beloved," cried Woksis.

As they embraced and their lips met Moqua got her first taste of maple sugar. Ever after they had maple sugar in the wigwam.

ABOUT THE HOUSE.

Things we ought to know to make life easier:

That a little ammonia added to the paste used for cleaning silver will halve the labor and double the lustre.

That a little kerosene put on the dust cloth will brighten your furniture wonderfully and prevent the dust from flying from one piece to the other.

That to paint the gum with iodine is one of the very best remedies for toothache. If your iodine is too strong from age, dilute with a little alcohol.

That a little vaseline rubbed upon patent leather shoes makes them as bright and glossy as new.

That alum dissolved in hot water and applied to furniture or to cracks in the wall is certain destruction to vermin.

That borax scattered on the floor and shelves of closets after cleaning will exterminate roaches.

That a kitchen table covered with tin requires less care than a wooden table.

That granulated sugar is better in nearly all kinds of cake than pulverized sugar.

That the sheets should never be allowed to remain on an unoccupied bed, but fresh sheets put on when it is to be slept in.

That half a dozen books should find a place in every guest's room.

That there is a great deal of nourishment in a dish of macaroni, and it should be more frequently used by Americans.

That dishes, to be made bright, must be washed in very hot water and well wiped with a clean cloth.

That undressed kid gloves may be cleaned by washing them in naphtha and hanging them in the open air until dry and free from odor.

That the dining-room should be in perfect order before breakfast is served.

That the plates should be properly heated and placed before the host.

That coffee should be served very hot, and with hot milk.

That the glasses should be freshly filled with clear, cold water.

That a sufficient number of knives, forks and spoons should be placed on the table, so that nothing need be called for after the family is seated.

A MAN OF CALM.

There is a man in Congress who is renowned in the city he comes from for his imperturbable calmness on every imaginable occasion. They tell of him that one day he strolled leisurely into the office of a friend.

"I have just had a chat with your wife," he said by way of beginning.

"Why, I didn't know she was downtown."

"Oh, she wasn't downtown," replied the congressman. "I called at the house."

"I didn't know she was receiving to-day." said the husband, with some surprise. "I thought she had a headache."

"She didn't mention it to me," said the congressman. "There was a crowd at the house."

"A crowd!" echoed the husband.

"Yes," went on the calm man. "They came with the engine."

"The engine!" gasped the husband.

"Oh, it's all right," went on the calm man. "It's all out, now. It wasn't much of a fire, but I thought you'd like to know it."—*Washington Post.*

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 6, 1898.

BY THE WAY, wonder if England isn't just a little proud of her offspring at the present time?

BRIMFIELD people are wondering when they are to have their piece of state road finished. The strip has been partially graded since last fall and the stone crusher has been set up ready for use, but it doesn't crush any more that Keeley's motor motes, and the road isn't as good as it was before operations were commenced on it. Contentment with a poor piece of road will be maintained for a while in the hopes of better things, but people who are compelled to use the to-he state road strip in Brimfield are beginuing to get impatient.

SATURDAY morning's papers contained the announcement that Lewis Warner of Northampton, a man well known in business, social and political circles, president of the Hampshire County National Bank and treasurer the Hampshire Savings Bank, was a defaulter and had fled to parts unknown. The amount is not definitely known, but will probably reach nearly $300,000. The money was used to further his various business ventures, not all of which were successful, and the peculatious extended over a period of 30 years. His position at the head of two banking institutions in the same building enabled him to escape detection for so long, and is but another illustration of the fact that such a condition of affairs should not be allowed to exist, either by law or suffrage.

IT IS announced that Spain, since her experience in the Philippines, has decided not to risk any more minor engagements with United States vessels, but will concentrate all her forces in one grand effort in or near Cuban waters. We hope she'll do it. The only fear is that she won't. The war would end after such a fight. We'd just as soon—in fact a little rather—do the job up at once and "have the dum thing over with" than to be all summer about it in installments. There isn't the slightest question as to the result. To a large extent it's the "men behind the guns" who determine results at such a time; Uncle Sam's boys have always given a good account of themselves, and with the fate of the Maine fresh in their memories might safely be counted on to do a little extra fighting on their own account, if necessary.

THERE are many owners and drivers of horses who view with regret the return to the road scraper method of repairing the roads of the town, having hoped they were divorced from that for a long time to come. While it is true that Palmer is a most unsatisfactory town for a road-maker to work in by reason of the scarcity of good road material, there would seem to be no valid excuse for scraping the wornout soil of the gutters into the middle of the road on the main thoroughfares, as has been done in some places. In other places the sods from the side have been scraped into the center of the road and left with no attempt at leveling, to be trodden down by the horses' feet. The road will probably be good sometime, but lots of profanity will hover about the vicinity until it is. And the stones raked from the center have been left in heaps in the ditch left by the scraper, to be dodged by irate bicyclists and eventually scraped into the center agsin when the scraper makes its next round, and once more raked out. It's things like these which make drivers, bicyclists, and horses too, hope that the day of more state roads is not far distant.

A SEVERE lesson would seem to be necessary in order to make some of the bicyclists uuderstand that others than themselves are entitled to live and have the use of highways. Little regard to the state law of ten miles an hour is paid by the average cross country rider, or even the one who is simply wheeling about town. They dart here and there at speeds varying up to sixteen or eighteen miles an hour, paying little attention to pedestrians or anything else, and when they do meet a person on foot show no signs of slackening speed, no matter how narrow the path. Others are inclined to claim the whole path and are not choice in their language about the matter. A few days ago a rider was seen to come deliberately up behind an old woman who was walking in a narrow path abutting her own property, run his wheel squarely against her and knock her down. Unfortunately the spectators were too far away to detain the fellow, and he quickly made off, the occurrence taking place outside the village. There are many wheelmen who are reasonable in their requests and gentlemanly about them, but they have to suffer for the boorishness of the others. It will be well for all users of the wheel to remember that others on the highways have rights there as well as themselves.

THE STATE OF THE WAR.

As was expected, the first naval battle of the war was fought at Manila, in the Philippine islands early Sunday morning between our Asiatic fleet under Commodore Dewey, and the Spanish warships and forts. Victory was ours, and a disastrous blow was dealt to the power of Spain in the East. All the reports of the battle, which have so far been received, come by way of Madrid and naturally state the case as favorably as possible to the Spanish cause, but even they admit that the Spanish fleet was practically annihilated, several of their best cruisers being either exploded, sunk or burned, and the others being scuttled to escape their falling into our hands. The Spanish reports fail to state that any of our ships were destroyed, and it can therefore be justly believed that they emerged from the combat intact, for if any serious injury had befallen one of our vessels it would not have escaped notice in the reports. The cable has been cut and no news has yet been received from Dewey, and word is anxiously awaited from him by all. It should and will probably be received soon. Meanwhile it is supposed that he has captured Manila and has now control of the island.

It was a notable victory. Thousands of miles from home, with no base of supplies, Dewey sought the enemy in its liar and destroyed it under the protection of the batteries on the shore. It speaks in loudest terms of the courage and skill of our officers and the bravery and excellent marksmanship of our sailors. It has attracted the attentiou and received merited commendation from prominent naval men throughout the world, and is hoped will have the effect of hastening the end of the war. In Spain it has already caused excitement, and the country is on the verge of revolution.

The Spauish fleet has sailed from Cape de Verde islands and is thought to be bound for Porto Rico. The iron clads and heavy armored cruisers of Admiral Saupsou's squadrou, which has been blockading Cuba, have been to Key West, coaled for a long trip and sailed under sealed orders, presumably for Porto Rico. It is thought that their plan is to meet the Spanish fleet at sea, engage it, which means its destruction, and if the fleet cannot he found, to capture Porto Rico and thus force the Spanish base of operations back 2000 miles across the ocean. Immediate action is to be taken by the fleet and important news is expected from it soon. The battleship Oregon is moving up the coast of Brazil, and is thought by the navy officials to be sure to arrive in safety. The Spanish fleet, or a portion of it may be waiting to intercept it, but naval men state that in all probability the Spanish admiral would not wish to engage it, as in any event, one or several of his ships would be destroyed, and Spain is not in a position at present to lose any of its ships for the sake of destroying hut one.

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS.

BOSTON, MAY 5th, 1898.

The war interest at the State House has been well sustained this week. On Tuesday forenoou was the meeting of many prominent citizens in reply to an invitation from the governor to form the Volunteer Aid Association, an organization corresponding to the Sanitary Commission of the civil war. The response was warm and there was organized promptly au efficient association, with ample guarantee of support, which will attend to the needs of our boys in addition to what will be done for them in the regular order of service by the goverument. At the headquarters of the adjutant general less has been done. The first excitement is over. The minds of the people are becoming accustomed to a condition of war. People are attending to their daily routine of duty with more confidence that Boston will not be shelled by the Spanish fleet, and the vocations of life flow on much as usual.

Wednesday forenoon occurred the review of the Ninth regiment by Gov. Wolcott in front of the State House, as the troops were on their way to the South Framingham camp grouud. There was a great crowd of spectators; the American flag was waving at every point, and cheers were frequently given for the troops. It was evident that some of them were raw recruits, for the marching was not all that we have been accustomed to see from the State House steps. Some of the men found it impossible to keep step, while the alignment was ragged in many places. But there was a feeling, after all, that these men might be called upon to go to the front, while the first regiment, the other day, was to go only to Fort Warren. Some skeptics iusist that even the Ninth will never fire a gun, but that it will have merely a picnic at the camp ground. These would not take the trouble to go to the steps from inside the State House for the sake of seeing the sight.

While it is possible that something may be saved from the general adverse report of the taxation committee on all of the matters which were referred to it, still this is not probable. The only chance, and that infinitesimal, is for au inheritance tax, which was supported by both the majority and minority of the special taxation commission, but which was favored by only two of the taxation committee, and they are Democrats. This gives the proposition pretty poor standing, aside from its merits, and it is not likely that anything will result favorably. The outcome is that nothing will be done to relieve the present great inequalities in taxation, probably for a long time. It seems to be established that double doomage laws do not remedy the evil against which they are aimed, at least the committee, by Mr. Washburn of Worcester in his speech explaining their reports, said that the experience of other states in this sort of legislation did not warrant Massachusetts in following their example. On the other hand, the recommendations of the commission for the entire exemption of intangible personal property did not receive the approval of auy of the committee. They thought that it would lead at once to the exemption of some $250,000,000 which is now taxed, and they could find no justification for that in any of the plans recommended by the commission.

It is made very clear that the question is exceedingly broad, important and complicated, but the report of the committee, after all, is only an enumeration and a display, in a most effective way, of the obstacles in the way of reform. When it comes to positive recommendations, they are as silent as an oyster. They had the best opportunity in the world and they would have been far more worthy of credit if they had presented a broad and practicable plan of taxation. That would have required real genius and would have been of immense service to the state.

The action of the House in refusing to appropriate any money whatever for the eradication of tuberculosis among cattle, the more it is understood, proves to have arisen out of a growing conviction that the commission was abusing the farmers and that the agents of the commission were using their opportunities for putting money into their own pockets. If they do not do this dishonestly, it was made to appear that they did it by an abuse of the powers given under the law, while one member openly charged that there were suspicions of fraud. The opposition at first contented itself with a proposition to cut down the appropriation from $65,000 to $30,000, but when it found it was strong enough to defeat the larger sum, it also appeared that it was able to defeat any appropriation at all, though it leaves matters in the anomalous condition of the commission's being obliged to put cattle in quarantine, while there is no money for the payment of the expense. There is a disposition on the part of the House to abolish all quarantine and let the state take its chances of tuberculosis. This shows what a revulsion of feeling there has been, for the appropriation in 1896 was $300,000 and in 1897 was $250,000.

There is good reason to believe that there will be reported from the judiciary committee a bill for the adoption of the Torrens system of land transfer. This is a matter which has been before the state ever since Gov. Russell brought it up in his first inaugural in 1891. The soundness of his position and the strength of his argument has been admitted every year and repeated efforts have been made to pass a bill, but the subject has been so broad that every Legislature has decided that it was easier to turn it over to its successor than to attempt it itself. So we have made little headway and it remains to be seen whether we make any this year.

The opponents of the cattle commission are still on the war-path. Their purpose now is to abolish the commission for good, leaving no trace of it on the statute-books. They would repeal all of the laws which provide for the quarantining of cattle and would turn over to the local boards of health all regulation of the health of domestic animals. While no one will grudge these men their displeasure, or their revenge, if they choose to take it out in this way, still it looks as if they were rather hot-headed. They overlook the great service which has been rendered by the cattle commission in the past, when it was a modest sort of board. It looks as if the sudden strength which they found they had when they refused to make any appropriation had turned their heads and they were determined to show their power by wiping out every vestige of the object of their wrath. Possibly the abolition bill will pass the House, if it ever gets as far as that, but it is to be expected that the sober second thought will reach the Senate in time to save what is worth saving from an institution which has been strongly supported by the farming interest until lately. If the persons on the commission are not satisfactory, it is easy to change them.

The Legislature is just now struggling with the craze to get through which seizes all of them sooner or later, though it is to be said of this Legislature that it has not become rattled thus far at all. But for it to set a day nearly four weeks beforehand as the day by which they will finish and to refuse to take up important public matters because it will interfere with prorogation by that date is not the way to secure the respect of the people of the commonwealth. Some of the largest matters of the session are yet to be considered, while very few really large subjects have been debated thus far.

The Senate passed to be engrossed this afternoon, under suspension of the rules, a bill which will permit militiamen who enter the service of the United States to be restored to their present positions after the close of the war, if they desire. It was criticised some by Col. Parsons, who was formerly colonel of the Sixth, but finally the Senate was unanimous for the suspension of the rules so that the bill may become law this week.

The last review of troops on their way to the camp ground at South Framingham will occur to-morrow forenoon, when three companies of the Sixth regiment will pass before the govenor. All of the others live too far west to make it convenient to pass through Boston on their way to camp. LANDON.

PALMER NEWS.

DEATH OF JUDGE ROBINSON

Yesterday Morning, After an Illness of Nearly Six Months.

Hon. George Robinson, judge of the district court of Eastern Hampden, died at his home on Pleasant street yesterday morning about 6 o'clock. On the 15th of last November, while attending a Chapter meeting in Masonic Hall, the Judge was stricken with a paralytic shock and was removed to his home. For a time he was unable to speak or use his right arm or right leg, and his condition was considered very serious. After a number of weeks he grew better and recovered to a slight extent the use of his leg, and was able to utter a few words. Then a relapse came, followed by a more hopeful condition, and thus he has made a brave fight for life, but gradually wasted away. His death came quietly. He slept very well Wednesday night, and until a few hours previous to the end his condition was the same it had been for some time.

The death of Judge Robinson is deeply

JUDGE GEORGE ROBINSON.

regretted by the townspeople. During his many weeks of illuess there have been countless anxious inquiries as to his conditiou, and many expressions of sympathy and hopes for his full recovery have been heard. His official position and his prominence made him widely known throughout this section, and many friends outside the town mourn his loss.

George Robinson was born in Hubbardston, Mass., October 1st, 1835, being the son of Ebenezer and Eliza Wales Robinson. While an infant, his parents removed to Norfolk, Va., where they remained two years, when they removed to Lebanon, Ct., where he attended the public schools, completing his education in John E. Lovell's school in New Haven and Quaboag Seminary, Warren. In 1851 he came with his parents to Palmer and entered the hardware business in the employ of Ebenezer Brown. In 1860 he bought the hardware and furniture business of Francis DeWit of Ware, removing to that town. Ten years later he returned to Palmer, again entering into business with Mr. Brown, later buying out the business, which he eventually sold to Brooks Brothers. When the district court of Eastern Hampden was founded he was appointed senior special justice, and upon the death of Judge Allen was appointed to the position of judge, which he has since held. In this capacity he has served with dignity and ability. In society circles he was very prominent, holding many high positions. He was a member of Thomas Lodge, F. and A. M., Hampden Chapter, Washington Council and Springfield Commandery of Masons, having been a past master and secretary of the lodge, a past high priest of the chapter, and at the time of his death beiug Thrice Illustrious Master of the Council. He was also a member of the Royal Arcanum, being a past regent of Quaboag Council and Past Grand Regent of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, as well as a prominent member of the Palmer lodge of Odd Fellows. He was one of the founders of the Universalist church. In politics the Judge was a Republican, and was one of the party leaders. He was married in 1857 to Mary L. Breckenridge, who survives bim. He also leaves two children, Mary E. and Helen L, who live at home. The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the Universalist church, and will be under the charge of Thomas lodge of Masons.

Callahan-O'Shea Wedding at Bondsville.

A quiet wedding took place in St. Bartholomew's church Tuesday afternoon, when Miss Mary Callahan and Thomas O'Shea were united in marriage by Rev. B. McKeauy. The bride was attired in a dress of light sage green silk, trimmed with lace and pearls; she wore a white hat trimmed with roses and chiffons, and white slippers. The bridesmaid, Miss Mary E. Sullivan, wore white organdie over dark green cloth, with cerise trimmings, and a hat trimmed with white silk ribbon and roses. The best man was J. P. O'Shea, brother of the groom. After the ceremony the young couple drove to Palmer and took the train for Hartford, where they will spend a couple of weeks, and upon their return will go to housekeeping on Maple street. The presents were numerous, and included a plush couch and rocker from J. P. O'Shea; parlor center table, Miss Mary E. Sullivan; knives and forks, Miss Lizzie G. Fenton; parlor lamp, Miss Minnie Grandfield; cut glass lemonade set, Miss Mary A. Sullivan; plush rocker, Mrs. Patrick Kennedy; handsome spread, Mrs. M. E. Shea; silver butter plate, Mrs. M. T. Fenton; china dinner set, Mrs. Richard Thomas; cut glass, Mrs. J. Kennedy; Brussels carpet, Patrick Kennedy, Hartford; marble clock, Mr. and Mrs. P. Moynahan, Hartford; Turkish rug, Mr. and Mrs. D. Fenton, Hartford.

Call Box Rents at the Post Office Likely to be Raised.

There is a probability that the rent for call boxes at the post office will be raised from 10 cents a quarter to 25 cents in the near future. The matter have been staved off for the last two quarters by Postmaster Royce, but from certain signs there is a likelihood that the change will be made soon, possibly with the first of July. The reason for the change is a general readjustment of the post office box rents in all quarters by the department at Washington, so as to make the rates as nearly equal as possible in offices of the same class doing about the same amount of husiuess. Heretofore there has been a wide range of prices in different towns, and a leveling of these rates is the end aimed at. Monson rates were raised the first of April. It is understood that the only change in the Palmer office will be in the rate for call boxes, the lock box rates already being up to the average.

Three Rivers Ball Team Organized.

The village of Three Rivers will have a baseball team this season. At a meeting held in the room over the Palmer Mill office on Monday evening the Three Rivers Baseball Club was organized with these officers: Corresponding secretary and treasurer, Lyman Keith; assistant manager, Walter Russell; captain, Thomas Manning; directors, T. King, W. Harper, R. Blair, R. Cole; scorers, Daniel Quinn and Umpire Walter King. The make-up of the team will be: Philip Story, 1st base; C. Longtine, 2d base; George Rycroft, 3d base; P. Gorman, shortstop; Jerry Connor, right field; John Lane, center field; John Connor, left field; J. Hannifin, pitcher; Thomas Manning, catcher; substitutes, H. Beauchamp, B. King and J. Deforge.

The sub-committee of the directors having the matter in charge met yesterday forenoon and settled the queston of the location of the car barn. The company has bought a piece of land of C. E. Fuller on South Main street, just west of the agricultural park. The piece will be bounded on the east by the Agricultural Society's property and on the north by the Boston and Albany road, on the west and south by Mr. Fuller's land, the purchase including a strip 20 feet wide aloug the west side of the park for access to the main piece. Should the company ever wish to build its own power house it will have a place most advantageously located for receiving coal and other freight. F. F. Marcy has the contract to construct the building, and ground was broken for it this morning.

The matter of crossing the bridge over the tracks of the Boston and Albany road has also been satisfactorily adjusted, and the track of the electric road will be on the west side of the present bridge, the sidewalk which is now on that side and which is seldom used being removed and the track laid as close to the side of the bridge as possible.

The season at Forest Lake Gardens will be opened Memorial day.

Miss Addie Rogers of Springfield is spending a week's vacation in town.

Dr. L. H. Hendee attended a medical meeting in Springfield yesterday.

Letters are advertised at the post office for Leon Bartlett and Fred W. Sawyer.

W. R. Milligan has been serviug on the grand jury at Springfield this week.

Rev. F. E. Jenkins is taking a vacation of two weeks, and has gone to Atlanta, Ga.

The Once-a-Week Club will have a banquet at the Converse House to-morrow evening.

Miss Ida Fuller visited her cousin, Miss Nellie Fuller, at North Wilbraham, Sunday.

Miss Hattio Blanchard of Boston was a guest at the home of S. H. Hellyar Sunday.

Mrs. Franklin Blanchard of North Brookfield has been visiting friends and relatives here.

Dr. C. H. Cannon spent a few days at his home in New Hampshire the first of the week.

Miss Ida Suow of Newtonville was the guest of Mrs. C. D. Holbrook the first of the week.

E. H. Hopkius of South Manchester, Ct., is spending a vacation at his home on Maple street.

Miss Ola M. Northrop of Mt. Holyoke College spent Sunday at her home on Central street.

J. H. Woolrich, who has been in town for a number of weeks, left Tuesday for Nova Scotia.

Miss Ella Carey has gone to Southbridge, where she has taken a position in the spectacle shop.

Nineteen persons were received into the membership of the Baptist church Sunday morning.

The Mother's Club will hold a meeting next Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Mrs. S. H. Hellyar.

The assessors have begun their work, having held a session in the town house Monday to receive valuations of property.

Mrs. A. E. Park and daughter Lillian, of Brattleboro, Vt., have been guests at the home of W. H. Hitchcock this week.

Rev. O. G. Petrie of the Universalist church delivered an address at a young people's rally in Fitchburg Wednesday.

At the First church, Springfield, Sunday District Attorney C. L. Gardner was one of the speakers in favor of the curfew law.

At the Baptist church next Sunday morning there will be preaching by Rev. C. R. Minard. Subject: "The beautiful life."

The Odd Fellows will meet at their hall at 1:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon to attend the funeral of Judge George Robinson in a body.

Edward E. Wilson, agent of the Aetna Life Insurance Company, Hartford, spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. H. C. Strong.

Clarence Wing, who is employed at North Plymouth with the Flynt Building and Construction Company, spent Sunday at his home.

During the month of April 98 tramps were cared for at the tramp room by "Doc" Allen. Thus far in May none have applied for lodgings.

The Anglomaniacs will meet next Monday evening in the reference room in the library building. The reading of Henry V will be completed.

The fire department was called out Sunday noon to extinguish a brush fire raging in the woods near the Catholic cemetery on the Thorndike road.

George W. Keith and Joseph Dominy of Three Rivers have been drawn as jurors for the criminal term of the superior court which opens at Springfield Monday.

L. L. Merrick post, G. A. R., will hold a meeting in Memorial Hall next Wednesday evening and make necessary arrangements for the observance of Memorial Day.

The annual May breakfast and dinner was served in the Congregational church Saturday, and as usual was largely attended, many former residents coming from out of town.

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THE ELECTRIC ROAD BEGUN.

Track Laying Commenced Yesterday. The Car Barn Located.

The long-delayed rails for the electric road arrived Tuesday, and the work of track laying was commenced yesterday morning. A gang of about 80 Italians arrived Wednesday night, and the start was made the next morning at the Main street bridge over the tracks of the Boston and Albany road. The first rails were laid in place at 9:50, and before night they were all in place as far as Thorndike street, though the filling in was not completed. The rails are steel, 60 feet long, and weigh 56 pounds to the yard, or 1120 pounds each. They have a 4-inch base, a 4½-inch rise and a 2-inch head, and will make an easy riding road. That the track will be well laid is assured by the experience of the men in charge. The engineer is W. H. Brainerd, and J. P. Eastman, formerly with the Boston and Albany road, is in charge of the track laying, in addition to which the whole is under the supervision of Superintendent Shepard and Electrician Caldwell of the electric road.

Eighty-five new books have been added to the library of the Congregational Sunday school and will be ready for distribution Sunday. There are now 641 books in the library.

There will be a special communication of Thomas lodge, F. and A. M., in Masonic Hall next Tuesday evening. A delegation from Eden lodge of Ware will be in attendance.

The Western Universalist Minister's Association will meet in Springfield next Monday. Rev. O. G. Petrie of St. Paul's church will read a paper upon "The training of reverence."

The firemen held their annual meeting Monday evening and elected these officers: Foreman, T. J. Conroy; 1st assistant, J. P. O'Counor; second assistant, Fred Thompson; clerk and treasurer, Frank Roche.

E. D. Tufts is suffering with a poisoned foot, caused by a nail in his shoe making an abrasion of the skin, which probably became poisoned by contact with his stocking. Mr. Tufts is able to move about only with considerable difficulty.

The inter-collegiate debate between the University of Michigan and the University of Chicago took place at Ann Arbor last Friday evening, and was won by the former university. David F. Dillon of Palmer was one of the three debaters on the victorious team.

The selectmen desire that all who wish concrete sidewalks built abutting their premises on the basis voted by the town, that the abuttors pay half the cost, would make that desire known at once, so that when the concretors arrive there may be no delay in the work.

Bass & Co. of Boston are at work on a directory of the town of Palmer which will be published about the first of July. The work is under the personal supervision of Mr. Q. C. Bass, and is being done in a thorough manner, apparently promising what the town needs badly, an authentic directory.

Sixty-two persons were admitted into the membership of the Congregational church at communion Sunday. This is the second largest number admitted at one time in the history of the church. About 20 years ago, under the pastorate of Rev. Mr. Fullerton, 69 persons were admitted at one communion.

The night rate between the hours of 6 p. m. and 6 a. m. at the local telephone exchange has been decreased one-half, the decrease applying only to charges above 15 cents. Subscribers who frequently use the lines to the surrounding towns and cities at night will greatly appreciate the reduction.

A train bearing the companies of the Second regiment from Springfield on their way to camp at South Framingham passed through Palmer a little after 9 o'clock Tuesday morning. About an hour later a company from Adams went through, with large placards on the sides of their car reading "Remember the Maine."

Officer Conroy arrested Thomas F. Gibbons and Zugmunt Uojick of Three Rivers on Main street Wednesday evening for drunkenness. Both pleaded guilty. Gibbons was fined $5, and being unable to pay was given one month in the house of correction at Springfield. Uojick said he had "no $10 in pocket, but his woman had it at house," and it was paid during the day.

Daniel O'Grady of Palmer was before the court this morning for drunkenness and pleaded not guilty. After a hearing he was found guilty and given two years at Bridgewater. An appeal was taken. The case of Michael McKelligott of Thorndike has been continued on probation until June 2d, and the case of Frank Young of Palmer settled by the payment of a $3 fine.

James F. Fenton of the Converse House and W. H. Hellyar, the well-known insurance agent of Boston, narrowly escaped a serious injury yesterday afternoon. They were riding down East Hill in Monson when a hold-back gave way, allowing the wagon to strike the horse's heels, causing him to run. He was turned into a stone wall and brought to a stop. The carriage was damaged somewhat, but its occupants were not injured.

A local bicyclist thought that his wheel had been stolen one day this week. He had ridden the machine to the station and left it leaning against several others near the baggage room, while he went inside to see some friends who were to depart on a train. When he returned the wheel was missing and inquiry developed the fact that it had been checked and sent to Springfield. The telegraph wires were worked and the wheel was returned to its owner later.

The Palmer high school was to have played its second game in the Brimfield-Palmer-Ware Interscholastic Athletic Association baseball series with the Ware high school team at Thorndike last Saturday, but at Ware's request the game was postponed. A game, however, was secured with the Warren high school team, which was easily won by the Palmers by a score of 23 to 6. Next Friday the local team will play the Hitchcock Free Academy team in Palmer.

J. E. Jackson and A. L. Babbidge, who are riding from Boston to San Francisco on a tandem, arrived in town to-day. The riders are paying the expenses of the trip by giving entertainments to cycle clubs, etc., along the route, and will give one to the members and friends of the Palmer Business and Social Club in the club rooms at 8 o'clock this evening, consisting of vocal, harmonica and Apollo harp solos, duets and recitations. No admission is charged, a collection being taken up.

One recruit was mustered in at the meeting of C. W. Cross camp, Sons of Veterans, Tuesday evening. Action was taken regarding the Order of Division Commander Couch relative to the enlistment of members in the proposed Sons of Veterans regiment, and six signed enrollment blanks. Dr. L. H. Hendee, past captain of the local camp, has been appointed recruiting officer for this and the camps in Springfield, Ware, Barre, Northfield and Monson. The members of the local camp will meet in Memorial Hall this evening for drill.

A stranger, claiming to hail from Seattle, made a purchase of a pair of shoes in one of our shoe stores Tuesday and gave in payment two dollars, which were placed in the till by the clerk. The stranger departed and went to the depot. A little later the proprietor of the store on examining the money found that one of the dollars was a counterfeit, being made of lead. He at once dispatched the clerk to hunt up the stranger, who succeeded in finding him at the station and demanded another good dollar. He at first refused, but when it was hinted that his arrest might follow, he was not slow in complying.

The selectmen held their regular monthly meeting in their office in the library building Monday afternoon, transacting considerable business. A petition, largely signed, was received in remonstrance to allowing the Standard Oil Company to erect a tank for the storage of refined petroleum on land of Charles Burns, adjoining Water street, and the matter was left for a settlement between the citizens of that street and the oil company. Licenses of the sixth class were granted Druggists A. P. Adams of Thorndike and L. L. Keith of Three Rivers. Chief G. A. Bills was appointed fire warden, and G. W. Lent, warden of the town farm, was appointed a special police officer. The appointment of Special Officer J. P. Eastman was revoked.

Electric Lustre Starch is one of the many modern inventions that help to make housework a pleasure. By its use ironing is made easier, the linen preserved and made to look like new. Requires no boiling. Will not stick to the iron. Blue Packages. C. HITCHCOCK & CO.

THORNDIKE.

Miss Nellie Murphy of New York is visiting her parents here.

Next Sunday will be observed as "Maine Memorial Day" at the Congregational church. Special services will be held in honor of the victims of the Maine disaster.

The executive committee of the Y. P. S. C. E. and the pastor held a business meeting Wednesday evening and appointed Mrs. M. E. Murdock superintendent and Miss Talmadge assistant superintendent of the Junior society, at which time ice cream and cake were served by their hospitable president, Miss Lucy Talmadge.

THREE RIVERS.

L. L. Keith has been granted a druggist's license.

Eugene DeCoto has a new Silver King bicycle.

Bertha Barton and Lena Lavine have new bicycles.

The roads about town are receiving much-needed repairs.

Four car loads of rails for the electric road arrived Tuesday.

John Brown of Springfield is visiting his brother, Arthur Brown.

A new floor is soon to be laid on the bridge across the Chicopee river.

J. B. Brown and Co. have secured the agency of the Victor bicycles.

A social dance is to be held in the Young Men's Club rooms this evening.

A Sunday school concert was given in the Baptist church on Sunday evening.

John Campbell of West Warren has secured a position in the Palmer Mill.

The house formerly occupied by J. H. Trickett is receiving extensive repairs.

A. E. Newcomb and sister, Mrs. Collins, of Ware, visited friends in town Sunday.

Many persons are showing their patriotism by displaying flags at their homes.

Miss Fannie L Barnes of South Framingham is visiting her father, S. B. Barnes.

Mrs. Prosper Howard has gone to Springfield to visit her sister, Mrs. C. W. Richards.

Rev. Joseph Marchaud has returned from Rome, where he had an audience with the Pope.

Preaching in the Baptist church next Sunday by E. A. Thomas at 10:45 a. m. and 7 p. m.

Theodore Gravell has rented his farm in South Belchertown and moved to this village.

Mrs. B. H. and Mrs. S. A. Green of Hillgrove, R. I., are visiting Mrs. W. O. Twogood.

Frank Fleury had his thumb cut off by the machinery in the Palmer Mill on Wednesday.

Henry Proctor had his wheel stolen while attending the meetings of the Salvation Army in Monson on Sunday.

Thomas McWhorter has returned from the French-American college and has secured a position as driver for R. C. Newell.

BONDSVILLE.

Fred Davis of Enfield visited friends here over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Holden visited relatives in Palmer over Sunday.

The residence of E. G. Childs has been wired throughout for electric lights.

Mrs. Fillmore and Mrs. Webber of Enfield were the guests of Mrs. William Taylor, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Randall of Gilbertville are visiting Mrs. Randall's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Canterbury.

The Boston Duck Company is building an addition on the south end of its brick storehouse, near the B. and A. depot.

Miss Alice Armstrong spent several days this week with relatives in Springfield and attended the May music festival.

Mrs. George Hillman, who has been spending a few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hayes, returned to her home in Northampton this week.

It would seem as though some bicycle riders were getting to feel as if they owned the sidewalks. Many riders use the walks all the time, and pedestrians have to get out of the way or get knocked out.

About fourteen members of the Salvation Army arrived in town Wednesday and will conduct a series of meetings, to continue about two weeks. Their appearance creates considerable interest, as it is the first appearance of the Army here. The first meeting was held Thursday night.

A reception was extended to Rev. and Mrs. H. G. Alley Wednesday evening under the auspices of the King's Daughters. The reception was held in the church vestry, which was transformed for the occasion, by the introduction of parlor furniture, rugs, etc., into a reception room. The room was profusely decorated with the national colors, red, white and blue bunting being festooned aroound the room, and "Old Glory" draped in various places. Numerous potted plants gave a home-like appearance to the room, the stage being a bower of beauty. Rev. and Mrs. Alley were assisted by Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Ryther in receiving the guests, who were presented by the ushers. After the presentation refreshments were served, consisting of ice cream, cake and coffee, and an excellent entertainment was provided, consisting of singing by Miss Lena Page and Olin F. Parent, instrumental music on the violin by Miss Rose Alexander and Master Whiting, and a flute solo by Mr. Shaw of Palmer.

PRICE OF COFFEE GOING UP.

But Here's an Unusually Good Article at a Low Price.

The war still continues, though because of the brilliant victory achieved by our heroic Dewey and his gallant tars at Manila on Sunday, it is now thought in official circles, both in this and foreign countries, that it will not last much longer. Statesmen think that Spain will concede to the demands of the United States, having satisfied her honor, and surely we all hope so. It is far better to hear the gentle cooings of the white-winged dove of peace under the folds of our starry flag than the hoarse, savage barkings and growlings of the dogs of war. And identical with the continuance of the war, still remains in effect the advanced price of provisions. Another article, too, has taken a jump of several cents a pound, and that is coffee. In this connection it will be appropriate to state to our readers that the "special blend" of coffee sold by J. F. Foley will remain at the same price, 25c a pound. Regarding this coffee nothing need further be said than that it is the brand which has proven itself so popular and has met with a very large sale. With each pound purchased Mr. Foley will give either a handsome china cup and saucer or a beautiful souvenir spoon, with a picture of the battleship Maine upon the bowl and a portrait of Capt. Sigsbee on the handle.

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In Bondsville, 3d, by Rev. B. McKeany, Thomas O'Shea and Mary Callahan.

DIED.

In Palmer, 5th, Judge George Robinson, 62y, 7m.
In Monson (Silver Street) 30th ult., Sarah M., 68, wife of Francis Ferry.
In Wilbraham, 2d, James Merrick, 74.
In Ware, 4th, Patrick Donnelly, 74.
In Ware, 4th, Mrs. Dolph Lanuier.

PIGS FOR SALE, at Palmer Town Farm. 6-tf G. W. LENT.

TENEMENT TO RENT on Pine street. 5-tf MRS. MARY A. THOMPSON.

FOR SALE—Second-hand baby carriage. 34-tf MRS. L. E. CHANDLER, Palmer.

TO RENT—6-room tenement in Cross Block. Inquire of F. F. MARCY or D. L. BODFISH.

TO RENT.—The Harris house on Pleasant street. Inquire of W. W. LEACH. 30-tf

TO RENT.—Twe tenements on Fox avenue. Apply to G. S. HOLDEN. 44-tf

PASTURE WANTED.—Inquire of G. E. BUCK, at Buck's Hardware Store, Palmer. 5-tf

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The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 6, 1898.

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

MONSON.

MONSON GETS ONLY ONE DOLLAR

From R. M. Reynolds, Instead of $50,000, Because of "Unjust Criticism."

The will of R. M. Reynolds, which was filed for probate last week, in a short document, containing only seven sections, but two of these are of no little interest to Monson people. The first section of the document is as follows:

I give and bequeath to the Methodist Episcopal church of said Monson the sum of five thousand dollars, to be paid to such officer or officers as may be authorized to receive the same for and in behalf of said church, and same to be kept safely and securely united by said church, or its proper officers, and the income thereof to be used for the support of such ministers as may from time to time be settled over said church according to the ways and discipline thereof, provided, that if they shall at any time decide to remodel their present church edifice so as to locate the audience room on the first floor, all or part of said sum may be used for that purpose, and in case of loss of said church edifice or damage thereto by fire, such sum as may be necessary for the rebuilding or repairing of the same may be used for that purpose, but in no event shall any part of said legacy be used to buy out the rights of pew holders.

The second section gives to Mrs. E. P. Newton, in the event of her survival of the testator, the sum of $5000; should she not survive, this sum was also to go to the Methodist church. Section third releases all claims against Eli Whitney Reynolds, brother of the deceased, and the fourth gives Eliza Crowley $500 for long and faithful services. Section fifth reads:

"It has been my intention to give to the inhabitants of Monson, in which town I was born and have spent all my life thus far, the sum of $50,000, but in view of the unjust criticism and abuse to which those of my family, who contributed to the erection of the Memorial town hall, have been subjected, I give and bequeath to the said town the sum of one dollar."

Sections six and seven provide that the remainder of the property of the deceased shall go to his brother, Theodore Reynolds, and that he is appointed executor to serve without bonds.

The will is dated March 31st, 1890.

There is considerable speculation among Monson people as to what the "unjust criticism" was, and none of them seem to be able to recall anything of a public or extensive nature. Mr. Reynolds was a man of push and public spirit, actively interested in everything pertaining to the welfare of the town in which he lived, and his well-known business capacity usually brought him a following which carried out his wishes in town matters. It is impossible for such a man to carry everyone with him, and it is the inevitable that he will be criticised, but Monson people fail to recall anything of this nature outside of individuals; at least nothing which would savor of anything like united public action.

Fire Department's Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Monson Fire Department was held in No. 1 engine house last night, and in spite of the rain there were forty-two present, the largest attendance at any time since the organization of the companies. The selectmen reappointed the old board of engineers, D. B. Needham, chief; L. C. Flynt, assistant; E Donvan, clerk and treasurer. The treasurer's report showed a balance of $310 99 on hand. Each company is to hold a meeting on the first Monday of every month, and practice meetings on the same nights from May to October inclusive. Chemical No. 1 will hold its first meeting next Thursday evening at No. 1 engine house at 7 o'clock. The different companies elected officers as follows: Chemical No. 1, foreman, A. H. Orcutt; 1st assistant, A. F. Johnson; 2d assistant, R. E. Darling; clerk and treasurer, G. H. Seymour; hose No. 1, foreman, Eugene Howlett; 1st assistant, Jerry Lyons; 2d assistant, T. J. Sault; clerk and treasurer, T. J. Crowley; chemical No. 2, foreman, A. S. Anderson; 1st assistant, E. P. Cook; 2d assistant, W. G. Meacham, Jr.; clerk and treasurer, H. F. Miller; hose No. 2, foreman, F. A. Bills; 1st assistant, N. A. Bugbee; 2d assistant, D. D. Maney; clerk and treasurer, Q. H. Ball; hose No. 3, foreman, H. A. Felton; 1st assistant, W. L Ricketts; 2d assistant, W. E. Cantwell; clerk and treasurer, F. J. Entwistle; hook and ladder No. 1, foreman, John Lyons, Jr.; 1st assistant, A. D. Rood; 2d assistant, Bruno Ritter; clerk and treasurer, F. C. Park. An effort is being made to place flags on the engine houses.

Bicycle Stolen From a Church.

A bold theft was committed at the Congregational church last Sunday afternoon during the meeting of the Salvation Army. John H. Proctor, who had ridden his bicycle from Three Rivers to attend the meeting, had left it standing in the chapel with several others. After the meeting he returned for it and found that it was missing, also a pair of trouser guards from another wheel. The stolen bicycle is a Silver King, No. 17,005.

Mrs. John Cross has been ill at her home on Main street.

Miss Lena M. Babbitt is visiting relatives in North Adams.

The regular meeting of A. A. Gage camp, S. of V., will be held Tuesday night.

The Monson Cycle League will hold its regular meeting next Tuesday night.

Arthur Severy of Chicopee Falls spent Sunday with his brother, F. E. Severy.

The annual meeting of the Universalist Sunday school will be held next Sunday.

George Wyatt has severed his connection with John Curley and has gone to Boston.

Prof. J. S. R. Coy will give a recital in Ware next Friday, assisted by his pupils.

Mrs. C. F. Densmore of Allston has been visiting Mrs John Cross for the past week.

Mrs. W. A. Lincoln and children of Springfield are visiting at Mrs. W. N. Flynt's.

Fred Lull has resigned his position with the Monson steam laundry and gone to Hartford.

T. L. Cushman gave a party to a few of his friends Saturday evening, whist and dancing being the amusements.

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MONSON.

At the regular meeting of Marcus Keep post, G. A. R., Tuesday night four new members were admitted.

Mrs. R. F. Bradway was called to Goulds-boro, Me., the last of last week on account of the death of her step-father.

Mrs. Elizabeth Entwistle and Charles Entwistle sailed Wednesday noon for England on the steamer Tentonic of the White Star line.

The Monson House depot horse ran away from the depot Monday morning, but was stopped near Flynt's store without doing much damage.

A case of scarlet fever has been reported at the home of R. E. Whitcomb in Noble's block on Main street, and the tenement has been quarantined.

The straw business at Heimann & Lichten's factory is beginning to grow dull, and a number of the out-of-town girls have returned to their homes.

Mrs. James Jufts, who has been spending the winter with her son in Chicago, returned home the first of the week. Prof. James H. Tufts, who accompanied her, expects to remain here a few months.

The members of the Monson Cycle League will make a 15-mile run to Palmer, Thorndike and return to-morrow night. The start will be made at 5 o'clock from in front of the club rooms on Main street.

W. A. Squier and O. C. McCray are to engage in the coal business. Their sheds are to be located south of the grain and lumber sheds on Squier avenue, and work on them will begin at once. There will be seven or eight large bins, with screens so arranged that all coal will pass over them when it is loaded.

The following children of the Green street primary were neither absent nor tardy during the past month: Gertrude Burke, Mamie Hynes, Annie Thierfeldt, Florence Sault, Charlie Algers, Harry Clark, Robert Fay, Robert Fuller, Howard Gath, Carl Lyons, Willie Murphy, Frank O'Brien, Harry Rees, Raymond Wilman, Frank Whitcomb

Albert Wentworth, son of A. R. Wentworth of the Century Hotel, is the first man from Monson to enlist. Mr. Wentworth went to Springfield Saturday, and left there for South Framingham Tuesday. A number of other young men from this place went to Springfield Saturday with the intention of enlisting, but were unable to pass the examination.

The seats for the animotiscope exhibition in Memorial Hall this evening are selling well. The exhibition is given for the benefit of the Woman's Relief Corps, therefore double interest is taken. The pictures will be accompanied by realistic sounds, just as produced in the large cities, and will also be shown in reverse motion, producing water running up hill, horses running and jumping backwards over fences, etc.

William King means to keep up with the times, and so has had the fence removed from in front of his Main street residence. The fences along Main street have gradually been taken down until now very few remain. Besides making a neater appearance around the premises it rids the loafer of a place to lean against, and it is noticed that where the fences have been removed there is very little loafing compared with former times.

Sarah M., 68, wife of Francis Ferry, died at her home in Silver Street Saturday forenoon at 11 o'clock, after a long illness. About a year ago she suffered a stroke of apoplexy, and failed constantly after. Wednesday she sustained another slight shock, which left her helpless, and she gradually sank until she passed away Saturday forenoon. Besides her husband, she leaves one daughter, Mrs. Chilson, of Springfield.

The Monson Grange held an open meeting in A. O. U. W. hall Wednesday evening. A large number attended, including members from Brimfield and Wilbraham Granges. The entertainment consisted of the one-act farce "A Box of Monkeys," and was presented by Mrs. C. C. Keep, Alva M. Walker, Miss Ethel Rood and Miss Myrtis Perrin. Refreshments consisting of ice cream and cake were served, and all enjoyed a social evening.

Nothing but the highest praise has been expressed of the musical given at the Universalist church last Friday night by Prof. Coy and his pupils. The programme consisted of twelve numbers, in which selections on the organ were given by Prof. Coy, vocal solos by Miss Carrie Webb and Miss Helen Fitz, piano solos by Miss Gavin and Miss Lillie Webb, and piano duets by Miss Noble and Prof. Coy and Miss Harrison and Prof. Coy, Miss Cuddihy and Prof. Coy.

The Bohemian glass blowers finished their week's engagement with A. A. Gage camp, S. of V., Saturday evening with a large audience. The audiences were not very large during the week until Saturday evening, owing to the stormy weather, so that the financial part was not as successful as was expected. The prize Friday night for the homeliest man was awarded to Arthur Orcutt. The voting contest for the handsomest baby was very close between Willie Lyons and Hattie Merchant, the former winning by a small number. The prize was a handsome crystal case valued at $50.

The special meeting of A. A Gage camp, S. of V., Tuesday night was a very enthusiastic one. The meeting was called on account of papers received from Division Commander Cough asking the members to signify their willingness to join the Sons of Veterans regiment which is to be made up from the Massachusetts department if more volunteers are needed. Eight members signed the papers, and doubtless several more will do so within a few days. Those who did not sign, expressed their willingness to enlist if more troops were needed, but preferred not to join themselves to the department regiment at present.

Capt. Samuel E. Nichols, a brother of Rev. A. R Nichols, pastor of the Methodist church of Mouson, died at Buffalo, N. Y., last Friday. Capt. Nichols was a member of the 37th Massachusetts volunteers, having enlisted at Northampton. He was for four years a pension agent at Buffalo, and was well known in this section. At one time he was editor of the Pittsfield *Sun*, and was about to become actively identified with the Buffalo *Times* at the time of his death, for which paper he had been an editorial writer for some time. He leaves, besides his brother in Monson, another brother, Rev. Fayette Nichols, formerly of Wilbraham.

The Salvation Army concluded its labors with a farewell meeting in the Congregational church on Wednesday evening. In spite of the rainy weather the attendance has been very large, increasing as the methods of the band became familiar. Five hundred were present at the last meeting, and the real interest seemed deeper than at any other time Such meetings have never before been held in this town, and at first it seemed that they would not be popular or useful. But the general conclusion is that the young men are earnest and sincere; that their meetings have been attractive and helpful; and that a large number of people have been really benefitted by this visit of the Salvation Army.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

Mrs. Robert Long and family have moved to East Wilbrahan.

Fred Burt has purchased a Stearns bicycle of E. A. Buck & Co. of Palmer.

The store of James Egan was put a cash basis Monday, and is the only cash store in town.

F. F. Filmore is putting up a small building on the land of Phineas Knowlton, and will open a bakery therein.

WALES.

Rev. H. P. Smith of Worcester is in town looking after repairs on his summer houses.

T. J. Hynes is making extensive repairs on his recently-purchased house on Main street, and will put on blinds.

Report say that Adelbert Mandigo has the war fever and intends to enlist in Co. K, 6th Regt.; also that James Lucy is much inclined to do up Spain.

A. F. Fisher has enlarged his shop and is now decorating it in fancy colored paint; his business is rapidly increasing. A good line of refrigerators can be seen at his store.

BRIMFIELD.

Mr. Kibbe of Tolland, Ct., has been appointed warden at the town farm.

About 40 bound volumes of magazines have been placed upon the shelves of the public library.

Mark Newton injured the first finger on his right hand in a hay cutter a few days ago and amputation was necessary at the first joint.

Miss Alice M. Bacon has accepted the position of matron at Pearson's Hall, Mt. Holyoke College, and left Saturday to assume her duties.

The grange gave a very enjoyable entertainment in the town hall Friday evening, consisting of a farce, music and recitations, followed by dancing.

LUDLOW.

A large electric light has been placed at the Ludlow entrance to the new bridge.

Mr. Ackley has taken a position with the Ludlow Manufacturing Company as assistant draftsman.

The new hall of the Foresters on the Orchard road will be dedicated with appropriate ceremonies Tuesday evening, the 24th.

The Ludlows defeated the Mittineague baseball team Saturday by a score of 24 to 7. The home team hit the ball hard and fielded well. J. Superman pitched a good game for the Ludlows.

A party of about forty called upon Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Fuller Saturday evening to assist them in the celebration of their 25th wedding anniversary. A number of pieces of silverware and a present of silver dollars were left by the party. Congratulatory speeches were made by Rev. E. D. Furness, A. L. Bennett and C. L. Buell, which were responded to by Mr. and Mrs Fuller. The Misses Fisher of Belchertown and Miss Mande Fuller of Ludlow entertained the company with vocal selections.

WEST WARREN.

Mrs. Morton Dutch of Milltown, Maine, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Armour, who is in very poor health.

The electric service commenced on new time last Saturday, and the cars now leave West Warren every 40 minutes instead of once an hour.

The final entertainment of the citizens' course of lectures at Warren was given Monday evening and was attended by a large number from this part of the town.

The families of Agent J. W. Brown and Robert Lane left town this week for their new home in Ipswich. Mr. Brown has been in this village nearly 15 years as agent of the Warren Cotton Mills.

At the monthly business meeting of the Whitehouse Chapter, Epworth League, Tuesday evening, the following officers were chosen: President, C. O. Walker; vice president, E. G. Johnson; secretary, Annie M. Grant; treasurer, Maude Parsons.

The Epworth League of the Methodist church has voted to observe the League anniversary, which comes this year on May 15th, and to invite all former members and those who are now living out of town to be present and participate. It is hoped that there will be a large attendance and a pleasant reunion of old friends.

HOLLAND.

Miss Flora Switzer is visiting friends in Springfield.

Lewis Durant of Springfield spent Sunday in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Curtis are visiting friends in Brookfield.

Mrs. Mary Blodgett of Warren is visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. L Webber.

Ernest Bennett left town Thursday to spend the summer in Woodstock, Ct.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Webber spent a few days of this week visiting out of town.

Mrs. Charles Webber recently entertained her sister, Mrs. Brown of Brimfield.

Alden Webber of Woodstock spent a few days last week with the family of E. P. Damon.

Mr. and Mrs. Switzer entertained their sons, Herbert and Elbridge of Springfield, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Blodgett are receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a son, born Saturday.

Misses Garnet and Pearl Wilson of Sturbridge spent Saturday in town, the guests of Sarah Bagley.

Dea. Alvin Goodell, who recently passed his 93d birthday, and has been for several years the town's oldest resident, moved last week to Major Smith's, of Mashapaug, Ct.

BELCHERTOWN.

W. H. Belding is very ill with pneumonia.

Miss Armenia Munsell has taken rooms in George Green's house.

Mrs. G. M. Fisher has bought the Root property on South Main street.

Miss Lucy Thompson of Springfield is at her home in town for a vacation.

Captain John Anderson will deliver the Memorial Day address at Barre.

C. S. Kentfield of Washington is visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. W. E. Bridgman.

John Long and family are moving to the house on South Main street owned by William Nichols.

Bert Gibbs was arrested Tuesday by Constable Dillon for assault and battery on Mrs. Ella Wheeler.

Mrs. Elizabeth Blake and daughter Mary of Springfield are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Sanford.

A number of the Christian Endeavor society attended the meeting of the Amherst local union at Hadley to-day.

At a meeting of the Sons of Veterans Saturday evening for the purpose of enlistment the following volunteered their services: Captain C. H. Goodwin, George Draper, Paul Shumway and William Thompson.

Lost an Eye.

G. H. B Greene met with a serious accident a few days ago while lifting logs with an iron bar. In some way the bar slipped, striking him in the eye and putting it out.

HAMPDEN.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bragdon of Philadelphia are visiting at M H. Warren's.

Rev. Mr. Camera of New Haven will preach in the Baptist church next Sunday morning.

G. C. Butterworth has been drawn as juror for the May term of the superior court at Springfield.

Mrs. John Bennett left town Monday to join her husband, who is assigned a pastorate at Putney, Vt.

Mrs. Ewing Bennett, nee Miss Bessie Goodwin, of Amherst is the guest of her father, Clark Goodwin.

The main shaft in the Ravine mill broke Monday, thereby throwing the help out of work for two or three days.

Mrs. Boyd of Springfield is the guest of her uncle, Lyman Smith, where her home was previous to her marrage.

Rev. and Mrs. Calvin Stebbins are at her mother's, Mrs. Marcus Beebe's, Mr. Stebbins having resigned his pastorate at Worcester on account of ill health.

Mrs. B. F. Simmons went last week to join her husband at Rochdale, she having been the guest of her father, Rev. N. D. Parsons, since the birth of their little son.

The Springfield District Grange was entertained by the Hampden Grange Wednesday, and being open in the afternoon some of the towns people accepted the invitation to attend and enjoyed the exercises so much that they will be strongly tempted to join. The dinner was fine, also the music and recitations. Pithy speeches were made by W. M. Tucker of Monson and the local clergy, also by an officer of the State Grange, Mr Ladd of Sturbridge.

WARREN.

"Old Glory" is flaunted to the breeze everywhere.

Mrs. George de Laval of Cambridge spent Sunday at her old home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bridges of St. Louis were guests of William Bishop the first of the week.

The May breakfast given by the ladies of the Congregational church Saturday morning was a grand success.

Mr. Pemberton Cressy of Andover Theological Seminary preached in the Congregational church last Sabbath

Miss Etta Sylvester and Miss Emma Blodgett, teachers in the Springfield schools, are at their homes on Coy's Hill for a week's vacation.

The Kamp Kumfort Klub of the Universalist church gave a supper in Brigham's Hall Wednesday evening. A literary entertainment was given after supper.

The ball team of the Hitchcock Free Academy played the Warren high school team on Slater's field Wednesday afternoon. The score was 23 to 7 in favor of the Warren team.

A very handsome flag, purchased by the employes of the Slater Engine Co., was raised over the shop at six o'clock Tuesday night. The booming of cannon to the number of the thirteen stripes celebrated the event.

A large audience filled the town hall Monday evening to witness the last entertainment in the Citizen's Course, which was given by home talent. The two farces were amusing and the cast of characters well sustained. The operetta was brimful of ludicrous situations, which were well delineated by Mr. Wass as "Jacob," and Miss Buck as "Mary Ann." The musical selections were most sympathetically rendered. A very aprepos incident was the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" by Mrs. Gould of West Brookfield, while on the stage appeared Miss Flossy Curry, waving a beautiful silken flag.

WILBRAHAM.

William Stephens, son of James Stephens, has joined Company K, volunteers of Springfield, and gone into camp at Framingham with his regiment this week.

The ladies of the First Congregational church gave a salad supper in the church Monday evening which netted about $20. There was a social entertainment, at which Mrs. Edgar Clark and Mrs. Larin Potter sang a duet, C. C. Beebe gave a humorous reading, Miss Maude Hubbard personified "The Old Oaken Bucket," and Mrs. C. C. Beebe "Way Down Upon the Swanee River," during the singing of the same.

Death of James Merrick.

James Merrick, 74, a native and life-long resident of Wilbraham, and a lineal descendant of the first pastor of the Congregational church, Rev. Noah Merrick, died at his home on Main street Monday morning after an illness of several months. The funeral was held at his late residence Wednesday afternoon, Rev. M. S. Howard, pastor of the First Congregational church, of which he had been a member for several years, officiating, and the burial was in the family lot in the old cemetery. Mr. Merrick was all his life greatly interested in the natural sciences, of which he possessed a great store of authentic and up-to-date knowledge, and there was not a flower or mineral specimen within miles of his home with which he was not fully acquainted. He was one of the first to go to California in the early "gold-fever" days, making the overland journey, which took six months, with an ox cart and accompanied by but one companion, his brother Samuel. They visited the Black Hills and explored many other places since famous. Returning in a short time, he married Miss Eunice J. Libbey of Fryeburg, Me., whom he survived but seven months. They had three children, Harold, who died in early manhood, Fannie M. and Charles S., both of whom are now living at the family homestead.

WARE.

Patrick Donnelly, 74, died Wednesday of pneumonia. The funeral was held to-day.

Adelard Dubois has been reappointed a registrar of voters for a term of three years.

Mrs. Dolph Lannier died Wednesday after a long illness. The deceased leaves a husband and one child.

A number of the Knights of Columbus attended the working of the third degree in Worcester Wednesday evening.

Rev. A. C. White, for the past three years pastor of the Unitarian church, has tendered his resignation to that society, to take effect August 1st.

The Welch property on the corner of West and Water streets was sold at auction Saturday. Miss Mary Barrett was the buyer, paying $2500 for it.

A. E. Davis, for many years superintendent of the local gas company, has resigned and will leave town, having purchased a farm in Hatfield.

Three "drunks" were taken to Northampton Monday by Chief Fitzgerald. One was fined $5 and the others given 30 days in the house of correction.

Work on the state road between this town and Gilbertville was begun Monday morning. Two steam rollers and a gang of 50 men are at work. The contract calls for the completion of the road by June 1st.

A fire district meeting will be held in Fireman's Hall next Monday evening, when the election of officers will be held and appropriations made. Money will be asked for new hose, hydrant service, and other necessary expenses.

Four boys were in the bombardment of Matanzas, they being Lieut. Austin Knight on the Puritan, John Shea on the New York, Daniel Burke on the Cincinnati and Michael Carney on the Nashville. Ware was certainly well represented.

The strong Ware ball team defeated the St. Johns of Worcester on the pumping station grounds Saturday afternoon, 12 to 2. Dillon of Holyoke and Donovan and Connor of Bondsville played with the Ware team, and all played good ball.

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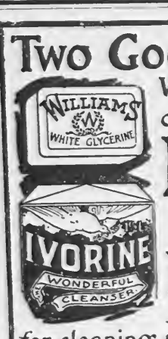

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FOR Worcester—6.55, 9.00 a. m.; 3.14 p. m. Sundays, 6.55 a. m.
RETURNING—Leave Worcester 9.15 a. m.; 2.25, 4.58 p. m.
FOR Oakdale, Hudson and Waltham—6.55, 9.00 a. m.; 3.14 p. m. Sundays, 6.55 a. m.
FOR Gilbertville, Barre and Cold Brook—6.55, 9.00 a. m.; 3.14 p. m. Sundays, 6.55 a. m.

GOING WEST.

FOR Bondsville, Belchertown, Pansy Park, Amherst, Hadley and Northampton, 7.15, 11.24 a. m.; 4.28, 6.47 p. m. Sundays, 4.35 p. m.
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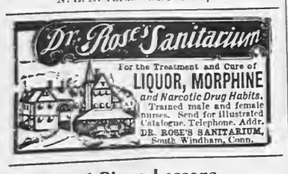
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The Violet.

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Take the road, find unaware

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Love our cup of life that fills,

Since in Spring's remembered nooks,
Lifting fain familiar looks,

Once again with curtsying grace,
In the same dear lowly place,

God His manna sign hath set
In the tender violet.

—*Margaret E. Sangster, in Harper's Magazine.*

BOYS AND BED TIME.

Surely you must have seen a boy of eight or ten years of age get ready for bed? His shoestrings are in a hard knot, and after a few vain efforts to unlace them he rushes after a caseknife and saws each string in two. One shoe is thrown under the table, the other behind the stove, his jacket behind the door, and his stockings are distributed over as many chairs as they will reach.

The boy doesn't slip his pants off; he struggles out of them, holding a leg down with his foot and drawing his limbs out after many stupendous efforts. While doing this his hands are clutched into the bedclothes, and by the time he is ready to get into bed the quilt and sheets are awry and the bed is full of humps and lumps. His brother has gone through the same motions, and both finally crawl into bed. They are good boys, and they love each other, but they are hardly settled on their backs when one cries out:

"Hitch along!"

"I won't," bluntly replies the other.

"Ma, Bill's got mor'n half the bed!" cries the first.

"Hain't either, ma," replies Bill.

There is a moment of silence, and then the first exclaims:

"Git your feet off'n me!"

"They ain't touching you," is the answer.

"Yes, they be; and you're on my pillow, too!"

"Oh, my stars! what a whopper! You'll never go to heaven!"

The mother looks into the bedroom and kindly says:

"Come, children, be good; and don't make your mother any trouble."

"Well," replies the youngest, "if Bill'll tell me a bear story I'll go to sleep."

The mother withdraws, and Bill starts out:

"Well, you know, there was an old bear who lived in a cave. He was a big, black bear. He had eyes like coals of fire, you know; and when he looked at a feller he—"

"Ma, Bill's scaring me!" yells Henry, sitting on end.

"Oh, ma! that's the awfullest story you ever heard," replies Bill.

"Hitch along, I say!" exclaims Henry.

"I am along," replies Bill.

"Git yer knee out'n my back!"

"Hain't anywhere near ye!"

"Gimme some cloze."

"Yon've got more'n half now!"

"Come, children, do be good and go to sleep," says the mother, entering the room and arranging the clothes.

They doze off after a few muttered words, to preserve the peace until morning, and it is popularly supposed that an angel sits on each bedpost to sentinel either curly head during the long, dark hours.—*M. Quad.*

TRIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

Try to be satisfied to commence on a small scale.

Try to avoid the too common mistake of making an unwise effort to "begin where the parents ended."

Try not to look at richer homes and covet their costly furniture.

Try going a step further and visit the homes of the suffering poor when secret dissatisfaction is liable to spring up.

Try buying all that is necessary to work with skillfully, while adorning the house at first with simply what will render it comfortable.

Try being perfectly independent from the first, and shun debt in all its forms.

Try to cultivate the moral courage that will resist the arrogance of fashion.

Try to co-operate cheerfully in arranging the family expenses, and share equally in any necessary self-denials and economies.

Try to remember that it matters but little what "people think," provided you are true to yourselves, to right and duty, and keep your expenses within your means.—*Somerville Journal.*

SENATOR VEST'S FAVORITE YARN.

Senator Vest has a favorite story which he has told on the occasion of many a political speech, but, so far as known, never on the floor of the United States Senate, says an exchange.

"A temperance lecturer was struggling against odds in Kentucky," says the Senator. "He was talking to a not very large audience that had been drawn to the hall by curiosity. 'The effect of alcohol is to shorten life,' said the lecturer.

"An old man at the rear of the hall rose at that juncture and said, 'You're a liar.'

"'Why?' inquired the advocate of Adam's ale.

"'Because, sir, I've been drinking for 75 years, and I am 90 and am likely to live to be 100. I am strong enough to lick you if you'll step outside.'

"'Oh, no doubt, sir. You're an exception, sir. If you keep on drinking—' the lecturer paused.

"'What?' asked the impatient old toper.

"'If you keep on drinking you'll have to be shot on judgment day.'"

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CO-OPERATIVE HOUSEKEEPING.

This is the age of coöperation and combination. As yet the domestic problem remains unsolved, so far as family comfort is concerned, but some of the young women who are wage-earners have managed to escape boarding-house life. The Detroit *Free Press* furnishes this illustration of a happy household:

A systematic and altogether sensible way to live within one's income and at the same time living happily, is illustrated by some young women who have chosen as their profession that of nurse. These sixteen young women have coöperated that they might make for themselves a home, which they prefer to boarding. Their home is beautifully furnished, and everything belongs to the club. There is a reception-room, sitting-room, dining-room, and kitchen below stairs. As the housekeeper is really the acting treasurer, her surroundings are befitting the important and responsible position she holds in relation to the house and the club; she is paid a salary by the club. Each member pays a certain amount monthly as her share of rent. Board is paid weekly by each member.

There is always a surplus over and above all expenses, which are kept strict account of and reported at the end of the month. All bills are contracted by the housekeeper in the name of the club, and settled monthly. It is out of this surplus that the necessary articles of furniture are bought for the home. The members of the club have a daily routine which is most systematic, and each one is pledged and required to keep every rule. The day begins with the rising bell, which is rung at half-past seven. When the bell next rings, at eight o'clock, they must descend to breakfast. Dinner is served at one o'clock, and supper at six. Punctuality is the household motto. Callers are received in the evening, but the fortunate young man who is received in this happy circle must not infringe upon the rules and regulations by remaining a minute later than half-past ten. After that time the lights must go out and the doors be barricaded. There is no household duty individually for the members other than that each one is required to take care of her own room.

CLOTHING THE HEATHEN.—A colored evangelist, who was soliciting subscriptions fo "de po' heathen sinners what live 'crost de ocean," said in the course of his remarks:

"Des think er dem, dear brotherin'—dem po' benighted people—goin' aroun' stark naked in a climate dat's ez hot ez de place where lots er you gwine ter! Not a stitch er cloze ter day backs!"

But just here an old deacon rose and said:

"May I ax de brudder one question?"

"Yes, suh; eu two, ef you likes."

"Well," exclaimed the deacon, bringing his fist down on the pew railing, "What I want's to know is dis: What does dem naked heathen want wid cloze in a climate ez hot ez dat? In my opinion, what dey raly need mos' is umbrellas!"—*Atlanta Constitution.*

QUEEN OF SWEDEN'S BEDROOM.—The bedroom of the Queen of Sweden is large and airy, but is furnished with the greatest simplicity. The walls are papered with a cream colored paper with a small gilt design, and the hangings are of royal blue red, with a border of gold and blue. The bed is a huge one of mahogany, and the carpet is blue. The walls are covered with photographs of members of the queen's family. The bookshelves contain many religious works, as the queen is a good and charitable woman, interested in all benevolent work. There is not an article of expensive luxury in the room, and in spite of its old-fashioned air it has a delightful tone of gentle feminity.

VARIETY IN PASTURE.—In seeding land to grass it would be much better if greater variety of plants were grown. Some kinds succeed better than others under special conditions of soil, so that the greater variety sown the better the land is likely to be covered and the larger the quantity of feed produced. But the advantage of much greater palatableness of pasture or hay which contains a variety of grasses is even more important. As an aid to make all hay more eagerly eaten, some sweet-scented vernal grass seed ought always to be sown. It will be eaten close to the soil by every kind of stock, and when left for hay the aroma from it will penetrate the whole mass and increase its feeding value.

Dr. Daniel, of the *Texas Medical Journal*, referring to a recent editorial in the *Statesman* on typographical errors, gives an amusing experience in that line. He says he wrote: "Dr. Jno. Bailyache act 74 years, born July 22, 1822, and died—" Imagine his disgust when it appeared in the *Journal*, "Dr. Bellyache ate 74 years of corn July 22, 1822, and died."—*Austin Statesman.*

GIRLS IN STORES,

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How a bird with a broken pinion
Dying, in the garden lay.

And the children, cruel children,
Lifted it by shattered wing,
Shouting, "Make us merry music,
Sing, you lazy fellow, sing."

But the Christ-child bent about it,
Took it in his gentle hand,
Full of pity for the suffering
He alone could understand.

Whispered to it—oh, so softly
Laid His lips upon its throat,
And the song-life, swift returning,
Sounded out in one glad note.

Then away, on wings unwearied,
Joyously it sang and soared,
And the little children kneeling
Called the Christ-child "Master—Lord."

—*Grace Duffield Goodwin.*

THE HENPECKED HUSBAND.

"There, Charley Taylor, these are April showers, and there is the third umbrella gone since Christmas. Yes, turn over in bed and say you don't care. What were you to do? Why let him go home in the rain to be sure. Taken cold, indeed! Well, he had better taken cold than to have taken our only umbrella. Do you hear that rain, Taylor? Nonsense, you don't impose upon me, you can't be asleep. Yes, you do, and is it not a pretty flood and no stirring out of the house for weeks. He return the umbrella? Any one would think you were born yesterday. As if anybody ever did return an umbrella.

"I should like to know how the children are to get to school to-morrow. They shall stop at home, and never learn anything, sooner than go and get wet. When they grow up who will they have to thank for knowing nothing—who, indeed, but their father? People who can't feel for their own children ought never to be fathers.

"Do you hear the rain, Mr. Taylor? I say do you hear it? But I don't care—I'll go to mother's to-morrow, I will; and what's more, I'll walk every step of the way—and you know that will give me my death.

"I may be laid up for what you care, as I dare say I shall—and a pretty doctor's bill there'll be, I hope there will! It will teach you to lend your umbrellas again. I shouldn't wonder if I caught my death; yes, and that's what you lent the umbrella for.

"How I am to go to mother's, I'm sure I can't tell. But if I die, I'll do it. No, sir; I won't borrow an umbrella. No, and you shan't buy one. Listen to this: if you bring home another umbrella, I'll throw it in the street; I'll have my own umbrella or none at all.

"It was only last week I had a new nozzle put on that umbrella. I'm sure, if I'd have known as much as I do now, it might have gone without one for me.

"Men, indeed!—call themselves lords of creation—pretty lords, when they can't even take care of an umbrella!

"I know that walk to-morrow will be the death of me. But that's what you want.

"And I should like to know how I'm to go to mother's without the umbrella? Oh, don't tell me that I said I would go, that's nothing to do with it, nothing at all. She'll think that I'm neglecting her, and the little money we were to have we shan't have at all—because we have no umbrella.

"And the children, too! Dear things, they'll be sopping wet; for they shan't stop at home—they shan't lose their learning; it's all their father will leave 'em, I'm sure. But they shall go to school. Don't tell me I said they shouldn't; you are so aggravating—you'd spoil the temper of an angel. They shall go to school; mark that. And if they get their deaths of cold, it's not my fault—I didn't lend the umbrella."

At length, I fell asleep; and dreamt that the sky was turned into green calico with whalebone ribs; that in fact, the whole world turned round under a tremendous umbrella.

A CATASTROPHE.

The train was roaring along about forty miles an hour, and the conductor was busily punching tickets full of holes, when a little thin old man who sat in one of the corner seats plucked his sleeve.

"Mister conductor, you be sure and let me off at Spears Station. You see, this is the first time I ever rode on steam-cars, and I don't know anything 'bout them. You won't forget it, eh?"

"All right, sir; I won't forget."

The old man brushed back a stray lock of hair and, straightening himself, gazed with increasing wonder at the flying landscape, every now and then exclaiming, "Gracious!" "By gum!" etc.

Suddenly there was a crash, and after a number of gymnastic moves that made him think of his school-days, he found himself sitting on the grass of the embankment alongside the track.

Seeing another passenger sitting a short distance away, patiently supporting various parts of the splintered car across his legs, he inquired.

"Is this Spears Crossing?"

The passenger, who was a drummer, and not altogether new to such happenings, replied, with a smile, although in considerable pain.

"No; this a catastrophe."

"Is that so," he irritably exclaimed. "Now I knew that conductor would put me off at the wrong place."—*Harper's Round Table.*

WHERE THE CHANGE WAS.

"I confess I'm a good deal surprised at the way you've changed things," said Hiram, the eldest son of the family, as he sat on the front porch of the old home on the evening of his arrival and looked out over the farm on which he had been brought up. "Of course, I haven't been here for ten years and more, but I haven't been so busy making money in the big city that I've forgotten anything on the old place. I see you've taken in some of the fences, made the front yard smaller, the pig pens are only about half as big as they used to be, you've cut down the size of the barn lot, narrowed the lane that leads out to the big road, and taken about an acre off the garden back of the house."

"Not much, we haven't!" retorted Farmer Hayeroft. "Them changes is all in your mind, Hiram. The farm hasn't shrunk a half-inch. You've out-growed it—in your mind; that's all."

The hoarse, rasping noise that disturbed the stillness of the house an hour or two later was caused by Farmer Haycroft sawing out the entire upper portion of the doorway leading into Hiram's old bedroom, so the young man would not have to stoop as he passed inside on his way to bed.—*Chicago Tribune.*

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"Want to buy a indelible pencil?" said the boy.

"How much is it, my son?" inquired the benevolent person.

"Only 5 cents."

"If I bought it I wouldn't have any use for it."

"Wouldn't you?"

"No."

"I'll sell it mighty cheap," persisted the boy, somewhat encouraged by the conversation.

"I don't think it is of much use, is it?"

"I guess it is."

"You've got no use for it, have you?"

"I want to sell it, that's all."

"Why do you want to sell it?"

"I want the 5 cents I'll get for it."

"Then you don't want the pencil?"

The boy hesitated before committing himself.

"I'd rather have the 5 cents," he ventured at last.

"How much alike we all are, my boy," said the benevolent person unctuously as he wiped his mouth, "and I am just like you! You would rather have 5 cents than have the pencil. Now, then, when we are so perfectly agreed upon a point, why should you seek by persuasion to disturb that harmony? No, no, my son, let us permit things to remain as they are. Thank you ever so much, though, for asking me if I wished the pencil. Goodby, little boy.—*Washington Star.*

ADVICE ABOUT STRAWBERRIES.

The Ohio experiment station sets forth the following strawberry advice:

1. Strawberries do well on almost any well drained soil, which is free from frost, reasonably fertile and not infested with white grubs.

2. There is little danger of making the soil too rich, but there is a possibility of injuring the plants with commercial fertilizers if placed too closely about the roots, and with coarse manure.

3. Commercial fertilizers seem to have no effect on white grubs, nor does manure, so as to repair the damage.

4 The best fertilizers are well rotted manure, bone meal and wood ashes.

5. The best method of preparing the soil is to plow in the fall, mulch with manure and fit the ground in the spring with cultivator and harrow.

6. The best time to set strawberry plants is in early spring. When plants are to be set in the soil they should be especially grown for the purpose, either in frames or in pots.

7. For matted rows the plants should be set 18 inches by 4 feet apart, and for hills one foot by three.

8 In hill culture the runners are all removed, and for the best results in matted rows a part should be cut off, or some of the plants dug out.

9 Generally it is better to keep a bed only one season, but if kept longer the best treatment is burning soon after fruiting.

10. Winter protection should be given by mulching, and the best manure is swamp hay.

IN DARKEST ST. LOUIS.

Hamilton Jackson Brown, a 14-years-old darkey, was arrested yesterday morning because he had two overcoats which he said he had "found in the alley."

A reporter for this paper asked Hamilton Jackson Brown where he lived.

"Oh, Ah doane live nowhere."

"Where does your father live?"

"Oh, he's in deh pen'tentiary fo' killin' Ben Shepherd."

"And your mother?"

"Oh, she's in deh pen, too. She dun tried to slice a piece off'n Jim Price."

"Have you any brothers or sisters?"

"'Deed I has. Mame, she's in deh workhouse; Nell, she's in jail fo' cuttin' her man, an' Sal, she's dead. Big Joe Mason cut 'er. An' Bill, 'e's dead too. Sheriff shot him. And then thar's Joe."

"Is he locked up, too?"

"No, sir." This was said with emphasis "No, sir, Joe ain't locked up. D-y's only lukin' fo' Joe, dat's all"—*St Louis Globe Democrat*

ILLNESS FROM CLOTHING.—"If people knew how much disease is caused by wearing clothes improperly, they would be more careful about the matter than they are," said a well known physician. "The great majority of men who wear laced-up boots always wear them too tight and suffer from varicose veins in consequence. Then there's a great deal of throat trouble brought on by people wearing collars that are too tight for them, and I have seen men suffering from lung disease which has been accentuated by habitual stooping—a habit due generally to too tight braces. But it is even more curious that people always have their hats made too small—too small, that is, from a medical point. And that this injures and contracts their brains there can be no doubt whatever."

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MR. SAGE'S ECONOMY.

One day when Russell Sage stood on the back platform of a cable car, trying to get a two-cent rebate from the conductor on his fare, because of the many vexatious delays and stoppings of the vehicle, some men who were standing nearby began to discuss a certain preacher.

"He has a bomb—" said one of them, but before he could add "—bastic manner" Uncle Russell had jumped over the top of a delivery wagon and landed heavily on one knee in the street.

After looking carefully around to see if any dynamiters were in sight, the eminent financier arose and examined himself. He found that beyond suffering from the shock caused by that terrible word, he had sustained no injury, except to the left knee of his trousers, which was badly torn.

He went into a tailor's shop.

"Ah, Mr. Sage! Met with an accident, I see. What can I do for you? Pair of trousers, sir?" said the proprietor

Uncle Russell looked down at the garments that covered his nether limbs. The right leg was as good as ever.

"Well, no," he answered slowly, "I don't want to go in as heavy as that—better make it just one tronser."

And although his legs were not mates for many a week, his conscience was easy. Which shows that a contented mind is more to be desired than one which is not.—*New York Criterion.*

AN HONEST MAN.

"Now look here, Thompson," remarked Brown; "it has been six months since you borrowed that five dollars from me."

"Seven," corrected Thompson, gravely.

"Well, then, seven months," snorted Brown, "and you promised to give it back to me in a week. Promised faithfully, you did, to return me it in seven days, instead of months."

"I know it," answered Thompson, sadly, drawing a memorandum-book from his pocket. "That bill was 'Series F, No. 672929, issue of 1887.' I made the note, and then I spent the money. Since then I've been trying to recover it."

"Rats," howled Brown, "any other would do as well."

"No respouded Thompson, shaking his head; "I'm a man of my word. When you gave me the bill I said 'I will return this to you,' and I meant it. Brown, old man, just as soon as I come across No. 672929, Series F, issue of 1887, I'll see that you get it, for I am not the one to go back on my promise."—From the "Editor's Drawer," in *Harper's Magazine.*

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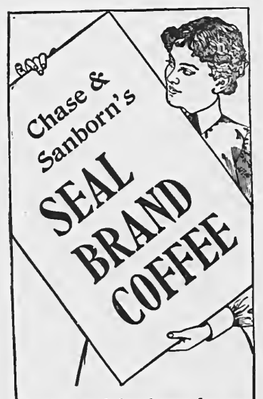

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An' muddled up things t' th' divil an' back,
Finnigin writ it to Flannigan,
Affher the wrick wuz all on agin;
That is, this Finnigin
Reported to Flannigan.

Whin Flannigin first writ to Flannigan,
He writed tin pages, did Finnigin,
An' he tould just how the smash occurred;
Full many a tajus, blunderin' wurd
Did Finnigin write to Flannigan
After the kyars had gone on agin.
That wuz how Finnigin
Reported to Flannigin.

Now Flannigan knowed more than Finnigin;
He'd more idjucation, had Flannigan;
An' it wore 'm elanc and completely out
To tell what Finnigin writ about
In his writin' to Minster Flannigan.
So he writed back to Finnigin:
"Don't do sich a shi ag'in;
Make 'em brief, Finnegin!"

When Finnigin got this from Flannigan
He blushed rosy rid, did Finnigin;
An' he said, "I'll gamble a whole month's pa-ay
That it will be minny an' minny a da-ay
Before Sup'rintindint, that Flannigan,
Gits a whack at this very same shi agin,
From Finnigin to Flannigan
Repoorts won't be long agin."

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Wan da-ay on the siction av Finnigin,
On the road sup'rintindint by Flannigan,
A rail gave way on a bit av a curve
An' some kyars went off as they made the swerve.
"There's nobody hurted," sez Finnigin,
"But reports must be made to Flannigan."
An' he winked at McGorrigan,
As married a Finnigin.

He wuz shantyin' thin, wuz Finnigin,
As minny a railroader's been agin,
An' the shmoky ol' lamp wuz hurnin' bright
In Finnigin's shanty all that night—
Billin' down his report, wuz Finnigin.
An' he writed this here: "Mister Flannigan:
Off agin, on agin,
Gone agin.—Finnigin."

—*S. W. Gilligan, in Life.*

"A DAUGHTER OF THE GODS."

Why is it a law of nature that tall women must marry short men? I want to marry. But what man of decent stature will wed 5 feet 9? I refuse to marry anything under 6 feet, so I shall have to die an old maid. It's very hard."

"You will scarcely be measuring the man's inches when you fall in love, Anna," said her friend.

Perhaps the heavy-figured, plain-featured woman of nine-and-twenty would not have been averse to changing places with the tall, supple-limbed young Amazon who bemoaned her ill luck from the long deck chair on the sunny vicarage lawn, and would have taken fate's fine of a possibly short husband kindly enough.

"I shall measure his inches before, and so I shall not fall in love, wise Lu—don't you see?"

"And you would rather marry a man like Charley Langley, 6 feet of well-built stupidity, than, we will say, Mr. Royce, who is clever and—"

"Handsome, and almost a pygmy. I allow Mr. Royce to be the miniature model of what a man should be—but I do not wish to marry a model. I want the man. Some big men are handsome and clever as well; but big men like little wives, and so I must go hushandless. Charlie Langley worships little Flossie Cressold. Heigh ho! What am I to do? I must be off, Lu, or I shall be late for dinner."

On the other side of the thick, quick-set hedge stood Owen Royce, the clever artist, of whose future great things were predicted. Walking carelessly beside the over-hanging hawthorn and wild rose, he had been caught and held by a straggling thorn; while impatiently unfastening the detaining bramble the words spoken in the garden had fallen on his ear. He was clear of the thorn at last; he was standing erect and still in the meadow, his eyes on the low summer sun, and with a thorn in his heart piercing and burning as no mere physical pain could do. He had walked carelessly through the summer, as he had walked through the brambles—to find himself suddenly caught. Two months of tennis, riding and boating with Anna Waymoor had not left him heart-whole. Heart-whole! He hit his lip, and put a hand across his eyes; he could see her mentally, tall even among the tall women of the day, beautiful in her strong grace. Like many small men, the artist was wonderfully active and wiry; neat-handed, and quick of eye, he was an expert in all he did; during his two months' stay at Greyland Manor, he had good-naturedly coached Miss Waymoor in her drawing, at tennis, and had taught her to ride which he himself possessed. That teaching had been a dangerous pastime; particularly dangerous were their long readings and talks together; perhaps it was then that the artist had fallen headlong in love with his beautiful pupil, when the "Amazon" had been laid aside, when the gracious, gentle woman had sat beside him with her deep, gray eyes, and with color coming and going had learned to love Beatrice and Juliet, and to know, through him, her Shakespeare and Dante by heart. And all the time she had thought of him merely as what he was—"almost a pygmy." He saw himself suddenly as little more than a dwarf—a laughable atom! He envied the dull hoohy Langley his broad shoulders and great frame; what beautiful woman—such a woman as Anna Waymoor—could care for such a scrap of humanity as himself? Yet he had dared to love her too, love her as intensely as any 6-foot Hercules could do, though he learned to know it only when he learned that he—the pgymy—scarcely ranked in her eyes as a man at all.

Anna stood armed with her golf-clubs on the manor terrace; Louisa stood beside her, a study in drabs, a foil to the fresh, brilliant coloring of her friend.

"Now, Mr. Maxwell is what I call a man, Lu," the girl was saying.

"He is big and well made. I cannot speak as to his head-piece. And he appears to have no dislike to a small woman, my dear, said Louisa dryly.

Anna twirled her club.

"No, I do not think he dislikes me. Jack has asked him to stay on for the club-hunting."

"Has your brother persuaded Mr. Royce to remain as well?"

"Yes; his picture will give him quite another month's work. He has grown very stupid lately. I cannot think what has come to him; he paints and paints, and is as dull as an owl," and she moved off to join the stalwart young Maxwell, who was patiently awaiting her pleasure at the park gate.

Louisa went back to the house to speak with Mrs. Waymoor, the widow-lady of the manor. At the door she came on the artist, who stood watching Anna and her companion crossing the park, watching so intently that he was unaware of her neighborhood until she spoke. He turned with an apology.

"I was watching the golfers; they make a handsome pair, do they not, Miss Blackston?"

She followed his gaze; when she looked back at the man, two queer little upright furrows marked her forehead.

"You admire her?"

"I am an artist, I must admire her."

Her eyelids were lowered as she went by him into the hall; she was shivering, though the September afternoon was warm and bright.

That evening, after the choir practice, she said abruptly to Anna:

"My dear, I think why Mr. Royce has grown stupid is because he loves you."

The girl leaned against the garden gate, and laughed till the tears ran down her cheeks—the notion was so funny. Louisa's notions often were.

"Love me! Mr. Royce! Why, if he wore elevators in his boots he would barely reach to my shoulder. It never occurred to me that the little manikin could fall in love. How absurd!"

Lulu turned, almost angrily.

"Though it has not occurred to you, it might to him. And you are such a fool that you cannot see the man in him! You make me impatient, Anna. Flirt with Gerald Maxwell by all means; it is all you are fit for."

"Why are you cross, Lu? Mr. Royce is clever, and I like him; he is very kind. Poor little scrap! I like him very much. But he is in love with his academy picture not with me."

So, through the glorious September days Anna golfed, hunted and cycled with Gerald; and the artist painted, trying to forget the pain which held him in its grasp. He sought in his bruised soul to rejoice that the man on whom her choice would probably fall was at least a healthy-minded, honest country gentleman; he only asked humbly that she might be happy. He stuck doggedly to his picture—he said he was too busy to play—and he kept his pain, he believed, locked in his own breast; but the queer upright furrows were on his forehead as on Louisa's and they deepened as the days went by.

He had been painting hard down by the wood until the afternoon sun was low; at last he put up his brushes and started on his two-mile walk back to the manor. Gerald Maxwell overtook him, and the two went on together. They stopped at the foot of the railroad enbankment, lounging against the rail, to watch the express pass; they could hear her thundering in the distance, and waited to see her sweep round the bend to the left, dash across the straight piece of line before them and then take the curve to the right. Gerald was in high spirits, whistling carelessly in the pauses of his talk. The artist stood silent, content to listen. Then, to their right, along the line, came the heat of flying hoofs; both men turned to see, and both gave a simultaneous exclamation of horror, as round the bend, out of all control, galloped headlong beside the metals Anna's bay mare, tearing furiously on toward the rushing train, then rounding the opposite curve. Anna sat back in her saddle, white as death, trying to stay the runaway, but powerless against the creature's mad fright.

"She may pass safely on one side," gasped Gerald.

Even as he spoke the mad brute plunged into the center of the iron road; she seemed for the first time to sight the train whistling and screaming out its warning, but powerless to check in time. She reared straight up, and then stood planted and immovable in the center of the metals, staring, paralyzed with terror, at the advancing monster. It had all happened in a second or so, leaving but scant time for thought or action. Both men shouted to the girl to fling herself off, but she, too, seemed turned to stone; she sat dumb, looking before her with agonized eyes, though her trembling hands yet mechanically strove to turn the horse. In half a minute it would be too late. Gerald flung up his arms, shouting his warning. He stood there alone, the artist was gone; he had scaled the steep embankment, his small, little figure springing up like a cat; one hand, strong as steel with a dumb-bell exercise, was on the horse's bridle, hacking her a step to one side, the other was on the girl, pressing her from the saddle, telling her to fall—to trust him and to fall. Thank heaven! She understood and obeyed. Amid the thunder and crash of the train he knew that she had swung clear of the metals. There was a blow, and he was down, and all was dark.

It was a miraculous escape. Maxwell wiped the moisture from his brow as he told the story. Royce had rushed in with the train almost on him, when it had seemed that horse, man and girl must all be cut to pieces; nothing but his wonderful quickness had saved Anna, who bruised and shaken, had yet fallen clear of worse harm. Poor Black Bess was cut to bits. Royce's face was terribly cut by the blow which had had felled him, yet, mercifully he had fallen, stunned, in the hollow between the rails, and so had escaped with his life; but he would never paint more, his right arm had been frightfully crushed; amputation had to follow as his only hope of life.

The Manor people nursed him devotedly through his illness; nothing they could do could, they felt, repay what they owed to him. He was very grateful for their care and attention. He made no allusion to his ruined career, though his eye sometimes rested on the half-finished picture which stood in his room. He looked resolutely at the reflection of his scarred face, at the empty right sleeve. He had all his life looked at trouble between the eyes; he had never shirked or qualled before it. The man's spirit, at least, was no small one. But as Christmas neared and he grew fairly convalescent, he began to grow restless. In spite of protest, he declared himself well enough to return to his rooms in town. He had stayed at the Manor to paint, now he must trespass no longer.

"Dear old chap, why go?" said Jack. "The mater worships you. Can we not amuse you here?" Anna will try to; she will read to you, sing to you. Surely you might stay for Christmas with us?"

He smiled, but repeated that he must go.

He lay very still when Jack left him, looking out at the red winter sun and the wheeling rooks in the park elms. Yes, Anna would be good to him; he knew that. She had been kind—so kind, that to stay on would be worse torture than the loss of his arm. When Maxwell returned, as of course he would, his suffering would become unbearable. He was not so strong as he had been, and things cut deeper; he would be better away in town.

Then Anna learned that their guest meant to quit them. Anna had changed of late; she professed to be tired of dancing, she said she no longer cared to hunt, that she liked best to be quiet at home. She had grown very gentle, very womanly, and her gray eyes would become wonderfully soft and tender when they rested on Owen Royce's disfigured face and poor maimed body. They became strangely wistful now as she said softly:

"But we would rather you stayed."

"Still, I must go," he answered, picking up his book with unsteady fingers.

She was behind his couch, and stood looking at him in silence with an oddly lightened expression; then she blushed hotly over cheek and brow as she said inconsequently:

"I did not want Gerald Maxwell to come for Christmas. I told Jack not to ask him; but—I did want you here."

There was a pause. The man on the sofa drew his breath quickly, and from somewhere far above his head a tear splashed down. It lay on the scarlet silk cushion, a round dark stain. He raised himself quickly and looked at her. Yes, the tears were raining down her face. With his left hand he caught her dress.

"Anna," he said hoarsely, "did you guess, then, that I loved you?"

"Yes," she said in a whisper, "I read it in your eyes when you caught my horse's head on that awful day. Louisa had guessed it before, and told me, but I had not believed."

He was lying back again on his pillows, watching her with quiet, hopeless eyes.

"Yes, heaven knows I loved you," he answered. Then he told her what, on that summer's day he had overheard in the vicarage garden. "You did not love me then, Anna. Now I am disfigured and a cripple. You are kind and good—I understand—but it is only pity you can have for me. You would not marry me, save in pity."

She was on her knees beside him, half laughing, half crying.

"In pity! In pride and joy. Did I not say 'A tall woman must marry a small man?' Are you too proud to take a tall wife, Owen? Must I die an old maid because I am overgrown? Don't you know that to me you stand high among men; that your scarred face is your V. C.; that your empty sleeve is your badge of glory? Don't you know that had you died under the train, I should have had no wish to live? I knew whom I loved then. If you are too proud to marry me because of your poor arm—because of my heedless, stupid speech—then I am not too proud to say that your pride will make one wretched woman. And, Owen, I am not too proud to accept your pity—but the pity is yours, not mine, to give."

It was not the stately, beautiful bride who made the sensation of the day at the Greyland wedding. For once in a way the bride occupied the second place; it was the scarred, one-armed bridegroom who drew the hurrahs from the villagers, as he passed up to the church; in him they recognized a hero, and they loved a hero, whatever his shape or form. With deft, clever hands Louisa had decorated the old church for the bridal; from her seat at the organ she listened to the shouts of the crowd; she guessed they were called forth by the empty sleeve across the bridegroom's breast. It was easy to recognize the grit in the man when he bore such a badge, but she had known it without any shave of a tragedy. Through the service, which was the completion of the little drama at which she had looked on, Louisa sat with her plain, calm face, directing her small choir with her usual skill; her dull brown eyes were a trifle duller and heavier than usual, had any one noticed her, but no one did. Under her touch the organ crashed out the jubilant, chords of the "Wedding March," it crooned softly and tremulously its bridal song.

"Louisa plays well to-day. She is grand!" says Royce to his wife. "She makes the organ speak of love. Listen!"

"She speaks of what she has never known," said the bride pityingly. "Poor Louisa!"

But the organ knew better, and with the woman's fingers on the keys, it spoke out its knowledge of a woman's heart, clearly and fully; its tones swelled up to the vaulted roof, and then they whispered, and faltered, and died away into the solemn stillness of the deserted church—*Household Words.*

REVERSIBLE SENTENCES.

Scandalous society and life make gossips frantic.

This reads backward:

Frantic gossips make life and society scandalous.

Apply the same rule to the others given below:

Dies slowly fading day; winds mournful sigh;
Bright stars are waking;
Flies owlet, hooting, holding revel high,
Night silence holding.

Solomon had vast treasures—silver and gold things precious. Happy and rich and wise was he. Faithfully served he God.

She sits lamenting sadly, often too much alone.

Dear Harry—Devotedly yours remain I. Have you forgotten $20 check? Reply immediately please, and hand to yours—Grace Darling.

Carefully boiled eggs are good and palatable.

Love is heaven and heaven is love, youth says. All beware! says age. Trying is poverty and fleeting is love.

Badly governed and fearfully troubled now is Ireland.

Exercise take, excess beware;
Rise early and breathe free air;
Eat slowly; trouble drive away;
Feet warmish keep; blend work with play.

Adieu, darling! Time flies fast; sails are set, boats are ready. Farewell!

Matter and mind are mysteries. Never mind. What is matter? Matter is—never mind. What is mind? Mind is—never matter.

Honesty and truth are good and admirable qualities, as sympathy and love are endearing traits.

Politics and religion avoid arguing in. Here is good and sound advice.

"I WOULD RATHER SING."

An eight-years-old child with a cut in her hand was brought to a physician. It was necessary for the best results to take a few stitches with a surgeon's needle. While the physician was making preparations the little girl swung her foot nervously against the chair, and was gently admonished by her mother.

"That will do no harm," said the doctor, kindly, "as long as you hold your hand still," adding, with a glance at the strained, anxious face of the child, "You may cry as much as you like."

"I would rather sing," replied the child.

"All right, that would be better. What can you sing?"

"I can sing 'Give, give, said the little stream.' Do you know that?"

"I am not sure," responded the doctor. "How does it begin?"

The little patient proceeded to illustrate.

"That's beautiful," said the doctor. "I want to hear the whole of it."

All the while the skilled fingers were sewing up the wound the sweet, childish voice sounded bravely through the room, and the only tears shed on the occasion came from the eyes of the mother.

It is, I believe, a physiological fact that some expression of one's feelings tends to lessen pain. Since weeping and groaning are distressing to one's friends, how would it do for us all to try singing instead?—*The Congregationalist.*

Malden Aunt—"Come, now, Gertie! run off and take your beauty-sleep." Gertie—"Oh, Auntie! hadn't you better come too?"—*Puck.*

"It's a wise thing never to go into a bath after a meal." "Why not?" "Oh, you'd hardly find it there."—*Philadelphia North American.*

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 13, 1898.

THE resignation of Assistant Secretary of the Navy Roosevelt puts a Massachusetts man in the place, Charles H. Allen of Lowell. This makes Massachusetts men largely responsible for the workings of that department, they holding first and second places under the president, but who will say they are not equal to the task, even at this tryiug time?

A MAN who was suspected of giving the Spaniards information regardiug our movements was arrested at Washington the other day and it was announced that he might be shot as a spy. Naturally many experieuced a feeling of revolt at the taking of life in this mauner, although perfectly allowable nuder the rules of civilized warfare, but they may rest easy, for the poor fellow's conscience troubled him so that he committed suicide yesterday.

WITH the coming of warm weather comes au opportunity for the board of health to gain the gratitude of many aud do the public at large a service by abolishing numerous sink drains about town which discharge their contents upon or so near the highway as to seriously offend the olfactories of passers-by, to say nothing of the menace to health. The Tenneyville pond also is beginning to make its presence smelt in that locality, to the discomfort of the people of two towns who travel that way.

PRESIDENT MCKINLEY's message to Congress in honor of Commodore Dewey's victory will commend itself and the writer to all thoughtful citizens:

Outweighing any material advantage is the moral effects of this initial success. At this unsurpassed achievement the great heart of our nation throbs, not with boasting or with greed of conquest, but with deep gratitude that this triumph has come in a just cause and that by the grace of God an effective step has thus been takeu toward the attainment of the wished-for peace.

It is in thorough keeping with the dignified course he has maintained throughout all the trying events of the past months.

WITH the victory in the Philippines comes an onthurst of advice from many prominent men that the United States retain permaneut possession of the islauds, as well as Porto Rico and any other territory she may get into her hands by reason of the exigencies of war, in spite of the proclamation that the United States did not enter this struggle with any idea of territorial aggrandizement. Their efforts to make the President out a liar are neither complimentary nor well-timed, and their attitude on that question does not speak well for their Americanism. We should all stand by the principle laid down by the chief executive.

WAR NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Until yesterday there was no exciting war news duriug the week. Sampson has sailed for Porto Rico and word is awaited from him. It was rumored that the Spanish Cape De Verd fleet had returned to Cadiz, but it is denied and a dispatch this morning says that it is off the west coast of Martinique, which if true, makes it but a few hundred miles distant from Sampson's fleet. Auother dispatch says that the fleet under Sampson bombarded San Juau de Porto Rico yesterday and reduced the forts to ruins. The Iowa fired the first shot, which took effect, and was followed by a heavy fire until the forts were silenced. The forts on shore did not reply very vigoronsly, aud noue of the American squadron were injured.

Wednesday a portion of onr blockading fleet had au engagement in Cardenas harbor and as a result we suffered our first loss of life. The Wilmington, the Hudson and the torpedo boat Winslow were the vessels engaged, and had gone into the harbor to destroy several Spanish guuboats. The land batteries opened fire on the attacking fleet and the Winslow, after several moments of fighting, was struck and her boiler knocked out. The Hudson went to her assistance and threw a line aboard; just then another shot struck right in the midst of several men standing on the Winslow's deck, killing several aud wounding others. The Hudson was struck several times, but none of the crew injured. The Wilmington was not hit. The dead men are Ensign Worth Bagley, J. Daniel, John Varorls, J. V. Mecks, Josiah Tunnell. The wounded: Lieut. J. B. Bernadou, J. Patterson, R. E. Cox, Daniel W. McKeou, F. Gray. The bodies were taken to Key West, covered with the stars and stripes. The first officer killed was a Southerner, Ensign Bagley coming from North Carolina.

The Concord, one of Admiral Dewey's squadron in the Philippines, has sunk a Spanish war vessel off the city of Hoilo, according to a Hong Kong dispatch.

Several incoming vessels have reported seeing a nnmber of torpedo boats off the New Eugland coast, which they think are Spanish vessels.

THE STORY OF MANILA.

Saturday was indeed a joyful day throughont the whole country, when reports of the battle at Manila were received from Commodore Dewey. From the Spanish reports received earlier it was evident that a great victory had been won by our fleet, though at what cost of life, damage to ships, etc., was not known. The Spanish reports read that Dewey stopped the fight once and withdrew to land his wounded and then continued the battle, aud it was generally expected that our loss in killed would necessarily be quite an item. News from Dewey was anxiously awaited, and Saturday it came, better thau was expected. Not a single American killed aud but six slightly injured, the dispatch read, the squadron uninjured aud the Spanish fleet of eleven vessels destroyed, with a loss of 500 killed and wounded. A second dispatch was received stating that he had taken possession of the naval station at Cavite, had destroyed the fortifications at the entrance of the bay, had complete control of the bay and could take the city of Manila at any tiue.

Early Sunday morning, May 1st, the fleet of Americau warships appeared off Manila bay; they found everything quiet and the Olympia, the flagship, followed by the others in battle line, at once entered the bay. After a while their approach was discovered and the shore batteries spoke out and hurled their shot at the fleet. The Spanish ships lay under the guns of the water battery of Cavite, and as the American fleet approached opened fire. Dewey soon responded with his broadsides and a heavy, rapid and accurate fire was maintained against them, and soon several of the ships were set on fire and a nnmber sunk. The batteries on shore commeuced a heavy fire at the first of the engagement, and the eight-inch guns of the Baltimore and Olympia replied and soon silenced their fire. After several hours of fighting Dewey withdrew his fleet from the range of the enemy's guns and allowed his men an opportunity to eat their breaklast. When that was finished a second attack was made, which ended in the complete destruction of the Spanish fleet, and about two o'clock in the afternoon white flags were raised in token of surrender from the batteries on the shore. The dispatches were taken to Hong Kong by the revenue cutter McCulloch, and when that vessel left Manila the terms of capitulation had not been settled. The Baltimore sustained the greatest damage, a shot which struck her exploding somc ammunition near one of the guns and wounding six of her crew. This took place early in the fight, and from that time to its close not a man on our fleet was injured. The small injury inflicted on the American fleet in comparison to that sustained by the Spanish is remarkable, and has attracted the attention of naval men throughont the world. It is due to the superiority of our ships, our officers and our gunners, and another bright star is added to the achievements of the American navy. The president has sent his thanks to Dewey, and every citizen, though he has not sent them in cablegram form, feels grateful and rejoices. Men and supplies are to be sent to Dewey from San Francisco at once.

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS.

BOSTON, MAY 11th, 1898.

There bas been reported by the House judiciary committee a bill which, whether it passes or not this year, indicates the growing feeling that something ought to be done to limit the exemption of strong parties from suffering the consequences of their own negligence. The bill provides that whenever a person suffers injuries from another person or a corporation which result in his death, when due to negligeuce, then that persou or corporation, (their servants or agents being accounted the same) shall he held responsible for the injury for a sum rauging from $500 to $5000, according to the degree of culpability, the money to be recovered in an action of tort and to be divided half to the widow of the man who is killed and the other half to bis children. The corporations object to legislatiou of this sort, but it is for the protection of the public which otherwise would be obliged to bear hardship for which some negligent person was responsible and ought to suffer.

It is expected that the United States troops for the easteru part of the country will be mobilized in the vicinity of Philadelphia and Boston. Lieut. Hale, of the staff of Gen Merritt, commanding the department of the East, has been to see Gov. Wolcott about it. It is proposed to have some of the troops at the camp ground at Framingham, which is the most convenient in the state, and part at the old camp ground of the second corps of cadets of Boxford. Secretary Sessions of the state board of agriculture has written to the agricultural societies along the sea coast suggesting that they offer their grounds to the goverument for camps, and several favorable replies have been received.

The military tension at the state house is reduced materially, though the activity is continued. The visit of the military committee of the Legislature to Connecticut and New York resulted in the report that the light artillery was very poorly equipped, with the exception of the harnesses. The committee found that by taking advantage of the actiou of the general government in securing new guns, the state could get a good supply at the same time, and the prospect is that this will be done. Early predictions that our troops would not go outside of the state promise to be badly based, and at this time it seems almost certaiu that Massachusetts will be well represented in the army for the invasion of Cuba. It will be a great contrast from our cool New England spring to the heat of the tropics, and the desire of the goverument to make quick work of it is doubtless seconded by all the fathers and mothers, sisters and sweethearts who have dear ones in the invading army. There is a deep disappointment here that the fleet of Spain turned back aud did not give Rear Admiral Sampson an opportunity to duplicate the victory of Dewey at Manila. The Legislature is generous in making provision for the relief of the dependents of the men who go to the front, but it has wisely decided not to give bounties at this time when men are hastening to enlist, or to allow public employes to have half pay at home continued, while their comrades would give up home compensation entirely.

The effort to abolish the cattle commissiou has come to a sudden stop. Though the House was for the admission of the bill by 105 to 7, yet the Senate was more conservative. It was 18 to 12 there, not the necessary four-fifths. This saves the commission for this year, but leaves them without money for carrying forward their work.

A serious effort will be made at this session to pass a bill for the Torrens system of land transfer. This system takes its name from the statesman in Australia who had most to do with the introduction of the practice there, and it is sometimes called the Australian system. It provides for a registration of titles to land under the guarantee of the state, upon the payment of a fee. It has the inestimable advantage of securiug the title to the real estate (which must, of course, be proved to be clear to a reasonable degree before it can be registered), than a certificate of registration is issued. This makes the real estate a quick asset, just like a certificate of stock. It enables the owner to raise money on it as security, just as easily as he can pledge a certificate of stock for security. It confirms holdings without the risk which now attends them. It makes it absolutely certain that subsequeut purchasers will have no cloud upon their title. It saves the present constaut and large expense of paying lawyers to search titles, and it converts real estate into a quick asset. These are great advantages, and the bill is second in importance to only the taxation matter among all of the measures which have been presented at this session. Of course there is no opportunity for spread eagle talk in advocating such a bill. It must be studied carefully in dry details by men who are familiar with the transfers of property. It is very likely to meet opposition from the lawyers. It is so large a subject that the average member may decide best to put it over to another year, just as has been done for seven years, year by year, since Gov. Russell iutroduced it in his first inaugural in 1891. But there must be au end to such fooling, and this Legislature, which has dropped the large reform of taxation, may decide to prove its fitness for confidence by taking up, this bill seriously.

Senator Leach of Hampden bas been doiug his best to get a prompt report from his committee on labor upon the conditiou of cotton manufacturing, but the delay of another member has prevented him from bringing the matter to a head. It is quite possible that the committee will come to a unanimous agreement in regard to the course to be pursued as far as legislation is concerned. The prospect is that no bill will be passed by the Legislature, as the situation has changed materially owing to the collapse of the New Bedford strike.

The state is disposed to put its home protection upon a better looting. The report of the military committee upon the condition of our light artillery was followed promptly by the passage through both branches, under suspension of the rules, of an appropriation of $52,000 for the purchase of three new batteries of four guns each, with all their equipments. The money is to come ont of the $500,000 appropriation for war purposes, but, if that is exhausted, then it must come out of the state treasury. There is no opposition or discussion of these military measures. They are considered beforehand by the members interested. They are judged to be best, and then all of the rules are suspended in order that they may be put through promptly.

One of the chief debates of the session was over the bill for the establishment of a children's bureau as a separate department under a new board of charity, to take the place of the present board of lunacy and charity. Probably no matter has been worked by more underground wires on both sides than this. It has been pending for three or four years. Some of the most indefatigable manipulators are behind it, of course for the good of the children, while equally experienced hands at the wires have been engaged on the other side. The present state board is strongly opposed to the change, and the friends of the bill volunteered to conceale a point, if the bill were introduced, and amend the bill so that the present state board should constitute the new state board of charity. Interested men and women on each side listened to the debate, and the outcome was that the vote on substituting the bill for the adverse report was the tie of 88 to 88, with 21 pairs. The chair, Col. Clarke of Wellesley, did not vote. Of course reconsideration was moved promptly, and went over to Thursday. On Thursday the House debated for a half-hour the motion to reconsider, and on a rising vote there were 91 yeas to 93 nays. Then came a demand for a roll-call, and on this there were 91 yeas to 97 nays. The adverse report now goes to the Senate, where there will be another opportunity to move the bill as a substitute.

The Senate has amended the wide tire bill to take effect in 1905, and to reduce the width of the tires to three inches, and ordered it to a third reading by 15 to 10.

LANDON.

PALMER NEWS.

SIX DRUNKEN APPLE PEDDLERS.

They Bombard West Brimfield and Get Into Trouble Thereby.

Six apple peddlers were about town Saturday and later in the day went to West Brimfield. On the journey they formed a combination with a quantity of rum, and upon their arrival in that village were very warlike. They stopped near the residence of Levi Emerson and bombarded the house. A large number of stones were thrown from their rapid-fire guns and about 20 panes of glass broken. Another house was then assaulted and finally the expedition brought up against the lodgers at the brick-yard boarding house. Here quite a battle was fought; the door was broken in with a large stick used as a ram, and a hand-to-hand fight ensued, in which several eyes were blackened and other injuries sustained At last all but one of the attacking party were driven off, and that one it appears had been badly done up before the fight, probably by his own companions. His clothing was torn off, he being minus that portion of apparel known as pants, and he had several bad scalp wounds which required three dressings by a physician. About eleven o'clock Saturday night Sheriff Northrop received word that there had been a fight at West Brimfield, and that one of the men was still about the village. The officer drove over at once and brought the man to Palmer Early Sunday he started upon the trail of the other desperados. He drove to Warren and then took the electrics east. Just as he was entering Spencer he saw the men and placed them under arrest. They made no resistance and were brought to Palmer. They came before the court Monday and their cases were continued until Tuesday, when they were found guilty. William Merigan was charged with drunkeuness only, and paid a fine of $5; Timothy Burns and Larry L. Sullivan were sentenced to one year in the house of correction for disturbing the peace, with three months for drunkenness; Thomas H. Smith and John B. McCool were given three months each on the charge of drunkenness, and a like sentence for disturbing the peace. They took appeals and were taken to Springfield in the afternoon by Sheriff Northrop, being unable to secure securities. Those who purchased apples from them will find that they were "taken in," as they had cut a peck measure down so that it held but 5½ quarts.

JUDGE ROBINSON'S SUCCESSOR.

Numerous Names Suggested for the Position from Palmer, and Elsewhere.

The death of Judge Robinson will necessitate the appointment of a judge of the district court of Esteru Hampden, and speculation is rife as to who the lucky man will be. James B. Shaw is the senior special justice, and would naturally be first in the line for promotion. Other names are not lacking, however. A petition has been circulated this week asking the appointment of Charles G. Gardner of Springfield, formerly of Palmer, and has received some signatures. It is also understood that Lawyer H. C. Stroug has an eye open for the place. C. F. Grosveuor is among those mentioned as possibilities, and report has it that a Monson man will try for the place. The names of Representative Kenefick aud Senator Leach are also heard, though it is unlikely that either of these would care for the place; they certainly are disqualified at present by reason of their membership in the General Court. Beyond Mr. Gardner's petition there seems to be but little work being done at present, and what the result will be can only be guessed at.

Funeral of Judge Robinson.

The funeral of Judge George Robinson was held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, and was the largest which has taken place in Palmer for some time. The funeral services were held in the opera house, which was filled, there being about 900 people in attendance, aud were in charge of Thomas lodge of Masons. As far as possible the members of the lodge sat upon the stage, and the several other organizations of which the deceased was a uember occupied the lower portion of the house. The casket was placed at the foot of the stage, and there were many handsome floral offerings upon the front of the stage. Rev. O. G. Petrie of St. Paul's Universa'ist church delivered the funeral oration, aud several appropriate selections were rendered by a male quartette composed of E. B. Taylor, W. A. Weld, Rev. C. R. Minard and C. S. Wood. Owing to the severity of the weather the burial service was performed in the opera house. The local council of the Royal Arcanum, the Palmer lodge of Odd Fellows, and the local Masonic lodges attended in a body and escorted the remains from the house to the opera house, and from there to the grave, about 300 being in line. Many members of the fraternities from outside towns were present. A detail from the Springfield commandery, Knights Templar, composed of H. E. W. Clark, A. J. Northrop, C. H. Hobbs, Dr. G. H. Wilkins, E. R. Pierce and H. N. Sedgwick acted as bearers, and Dr. William Holbrook, J. A. Palmer, G. F. Sedgwick, William Merriam, F. J. Wassum and Grand Regent Walsb were honorary bearers. Interment was in the Thorndike street cemetery.

Union Hotel at Bondsville Burned.

The Union Hotel at Bondsville, just over the line in South Belchertown, was totally destroyed by fire this morning, together with the barn, sheds and other outbuildings. It was discovered about two o'clock in the southwest part of the building, and it was only a few minutes before the building was so filled with smoke that bnt little could be done to save the furniture, a small amount only being saved, including the piano. Mrs. Keyes, wife of the proprietor, was seriously ill and was removed to the house of Thomas Cross, nearby. The fire department of the Boston Duck Company was called into service, and did very efficient work in preventing the spread of the fire. Without their aid the building of Michael Sullivan would also have burned. The loss is abont $7000. The property was insured through the James D. Kimball agency of Orange, and was to have been sold at mortgagee's sale next Tuesday.

Forest Lake Property Changes Hands.

The Forest Lake property has been sold to nine men, all of whom are directors of the Palmer and Monson Street Railway Company, the purchase having been made in the interests of that compauy. The corporation cannot own the property without the consent of the state railroad commissioners, bnt if that is given and the stockholders vote to acquire the property, it will be turned over to the railroad without profit on the part of the present purchasers. The purchase was of course made with the idea of running the tracks of the street railway there and controlling the management, for while the Forest Lake end of the line would no douht pay well, the road would never be built there with the management of the place in doubt. The present purchase assures the character of the resort, whether the railroad owns it or not, and it is hoped that the extension to the lake may be built this summer.

Unconscious by the Roadside.

Two bicyclists from Ware found a woman unconscious by the side of the road near Palmer Center Monday afternoon. She was lying with her head on a stone, and had evidently been there some time. A nearby resident was notified and she was taken to the town farm. Dr. Hendee was summoned and it was ascertained that she was suffering from an apoplectic shock. Later it was learned that she was Mrs. Kate Healey, who had been in Palmer a short time and had started to walk to Ware, where her husband is.

George W. Lyman is to move his family to Springfield about the middle of next month.

Miss Nellie Ryan of Springfield spent Sunday with her cousin, Miss Nellie G. Finnerty.

Mrs. S. L. Bogue has moved her fruit, confectionery and tobacco store from the Nassowanno block to the Lawrence block.

A. W. Adams has received a new line of handsome china, to which he calls the attention of the public in another column.

E. V. House has assumed charge of the Singer Sewing Machine agency located in Tufts & Thayer's bicycle store in Caryl's block.

Mrs. Austin Moulton, who with her husband, Judge Moulton, has been spending the past year in town, returned this week to her home in Nebraska.

Mrs. Cambridge Moulton and Mrs. G. W. Camp attended the annual meeting of the Woman's Baptist Home Mission Society at Westfield Wednesday.

Thomas Blanchard has twelve horses in training at Hampden park, Springfield, and they promise to give a good account of themselves on the track this season.

D K. Abbott of Boston, who had charge of the construction of the state road in Brimfield last year, has arrived in town and will resume work upon the road at once.

Contractor G. W. Lyman is building a large house on the property of Mr. Wesson of Springfield, formerly owned by J. H. Woolrich and known as "Willoughby Pastures."

Henry Bliss has moved from Hulden's tenement in the rear of his Main street block to the Harris house on Pleasant street. William Wright has moved from Park street to the tenement vacated by Mr. Bliss.

Secretary F. D Barton of the Agricultural Society has received a number of copies of the report of the state board of agriculture for free distribution. The copies may be secured at his Main street jewelery store.

Letters addressed to the following are advertised at the post office: Miss Lizzie Doane, R J. DeLand, Eva Herrington, Mrs. Patrick O'Rourke, Catherine D. Lyman, Henry F. Money, David Ray, James Smith.

There will be preaching in St. Paul's church Sunday morning by the pastor. Subject, "Heaven and earth." In the evening at 7 o'clock will be a regular meeting of the Y. P. C. U. Subject, "Much given, much required."

A special train will be run to Palmer from Monson this evening after the performance there by the Amherst College seniors of William Gillette's comedy, "All the comforts of home," giving Palmer people an opportunity to attend.

The annual rally of the Junior Workers of the Springfield branch of the Woman's Board of Missions will be held in the South church, Springfield, to-morrow morning and afternoon. Addresses are to be given by interesting speakers.

The lodges of the seventeenth Masonic District will be convened at Masonic Hall next Tuesday at 11 a. m. for the purpose of exemplifying the work and lectures of the ritual under the direction of Chauncey E. Peck, grand lecturer.

The Sons of Veterans will hold a regular meeting in Memorial Hall next Tuesday evening. This evening at 8 o'clock they will meet in the hall for drill under the instruction of Mr. Collins, a former officer of the Vermont National Guard.

A passenger on a north-bound train of the C. V. road on April 30 left a bundle in the car, containing pictures of Rev. and Mrs. F. E. Jenkins and the Congregational church. The owner can secure the package by applying to Agent C. E. Fish.

"Shall we ever be able to fly?" This question might now be appropriately considered, for it seems that flying will be a feat which we must be able to perform if the price of flour keeps on going up and we wish to have any bread to eat. The price was advanced $1 a barrel the past week, and it now costs $8.

The directors of the Palmer and Monsou Street Railway Company advertise in another column for sealed bids for advertising privileges in the cars of its line, all advertising to be subject to their approval. Bids may be addressed to C. F. Grosvenor, president, or Rufus Flynt, treasurer, and will be opened next Mouday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

Adjutant C. M. Fryar of the Salvation Army will give a lecture on "Darkest America," aided by the stereopticon, in the Congregational church next Wednesday evening. Mr. Fryar will speak concerning the social and rescue work of the Army. The proceeds will go towards buying a tent for the summer campaign of the New England Guards Band.

By a recent arrangement the New York mail which formerly arrived in Palmer at 11 40 now gets in at 7 32 a. m., and is ready for delivery about 8. Formerly it left New York about 6 in the morning, waiting over at Springfield until the noon train out, but now it leaves New York at 3 a. m. and makes a closer connection at Springfield, a change which is greatly appreciated by Palmer people, as they get the New York papers and letters four hours earlier than heretolore.

Work on the electric road is progressing rapidly. Last evening the rails had been laid to the fork of the Palmer Center road on the way to Thorndike, and by to-night will be in place to the foot of Cemetery Hill. It is announced that the road will be ready for business Memorial Day if the power is ready. This is assured by the Central Mass. Electric Company, which is pushing work on its station with all possible speed, and says that steam power for the electric road dynamos will be available as soon as the road is in condition to need power.

John Sullivan of Bristol, Ct., came to Palmer Wednesday for employment. He met several men, by whom he was treated, and after a little bis condition lor sobriety was not the best and he was gathered in by Officer Justin. In the district court yesterday morning Judge Shaw made it possible for him to secure that for which he came to Palmer, employment, by giving him three months in the house of correction. David Burke of Boston was arrested Wednesday evening for a like offense by Officer Conroy, and he, too, will keep Sullivan company until three months roll by.

The pupils of Miss Annie Fish, assisted by Miss F. M. Parmenter of Springfield and Dr. E. S. Bryant of Palmer, will give a recital in the chapel of the Universalist church next Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. No admission will be charged, and all are cordially invited to attend. The programme follows:

Trio: Violin, Violincello, and Piano.
Miss Parmenter, Dr. Bryant, Miss Annie Fish.
Piano Solo, "Flower Song," Gustavo Lange
Mildred Brown.
Duet, "The Robins Return," Leander Fisher
Ethel Caryl, Miss Fish.
Piano Solo, "Waltz Brillante," Leander Fisher
Pearl Fish.
Violin Solo, Selected
Miss Parmenter.
Piano Solo, "Merry Heart Gavotte," Wm. R. Spence
Blanche LeGro.
Piano Solo, "Hilarity," H. Lichner
Ella Webster.
Piano Solo, "Fragrant Rose," Carl Rohn
Ethel Caryl.
Trio, Miss Parmenter, Dr. Bryant, Miss Fish.

THREE RIVERS.

Robert Blair is on the sick list this week.

Lisle C. Percy has returned from his home in Hinsdale, N. H.

The Proof of the Pudding, Etc.

In responso to repeated calls, we have placed in stock Electric Lustre Starch, in Blue Packages. This starch works easier, quicker, and better than ordinary kinds, and possesses qualities claimed for no other Starch. That all our customers and every housekeeper in Palmer may test its merits, we shall give a sample to everyone who calls at our store this week and next.

C. HITCHCOCK & Co.

THE TRAINING OF REVERENCE.

An Address by Rev. O. G. Petrie Which is Well Worth Reading.

Rev. O. G. Petrie, pastor of the Universalist church, gave an address before the Western Massachusetts Universalist Ministerial Association in Springfield Monday, an abstract of which follows:

Among the first lessons taught by the Three, to whom Wilhelm Meester confided the training of his son, was reverence and the expression of reverence. This was deemed not a natural gift, but a most essential higher sense to be communicated in "making a man in every point a man." And they taught a threefold reverence as the essence of all true religion—for God or what is above us; for the earth and all that is beneath us; for our fellows and all that is beside us and equal to us.

There are signs that such a noble and helpful sense needs to be cultivated among us more assiduously than it is. You shall find a noticeable lack of it among our children, manifested in various forms of impoliteness and rudeness, in a certain vigorous independence that takes little account of others' rights or privileges, and in a careless attitude toward sacred things or in sacred places. This complaint is not of childish life or gayety, but of an egotism that puts the child himself and his privileges above all others.

Now the children are not to be held responsible for impoliteness, selfishness or irreverence. Their voices echo what they hear, and their manners imitate what they see. We are not as a people by any means as careful of good manners as we ought to be. Selfishness gives a sort of rudeness and brusqueness to our conduct. The idea of liberty born in our hearts makes just a bit of a tyrant and of a desperado of every man. We are jealous of our own rights and careless of our neighbor's—let him look out for himself!

This irreverence shows itself in our evil habits: we have not sufficient respect of the body, for the mind, for the soul God has given us to keep us from defiling the temple of God with sensuality. It shows itself in the character of language we use—in slang, foulness, and profanity of speech to be heard from so many lips. It shows itself in our gossip—we do not in our conversation respect the sacredness of our neighbor's thought and life as we should. Then we speak lightly of the most serious things, and behave lightly in their presence. Even in church, where people meet to worship God, they must first see who is there and whisper with their friends.

Some causes are undoubtedly to be found in the commercialism of our time which lays more stress on value than on worthiness, and has no special regard for things without a direct money value. Then the idea of liberty has been exaggerated and made to permit indifference to the personal rights of others. The rush and hurry of life has militated against the reverent spirit and reverent conduct, leaving no time for such special thought on high things as shall make us bow down before them, and regard their sacredness. Even on Sunday it is difficult to rescue the mind from the tendency of six days, and turn it to reverent contemplation. Are not churches perhaps responsible for this in a measure. They have not been careful to keep the sanctuary sacred to the glory of God and the good of man; the very service of religion itself has often been marred by music and conduct of a decidedly secular character; the preacher has yielded to the desire of an audience and has made himself (or for himself) a special attraction and a show; the sermon has assumed such importance that praise and prayer are often hurried through as something that must be done to keep up traditions; the choir as well as the minister often make exhibitions of themselves instead of presenting the Gospel; and the people seem to be afraid that if they bow their heads during the prayer, and participate actively in the service they might be accounted as Pharisees.

These symptoms and probable causes of irreverence suggest some remedies. First of all, the church should be sacred to its dedicated purpose; the minister regardful of spirit and form during the hour of worship; and in all his teaching he should strive to lead men to see the invisible things of God, and to feel the worshipfulness of heavenly character and of noble living. In the home the practice of the custom now passing out of use—saying a grace before the morning or evening meal—would be a step in the right direction. To put a check in one's tendency to mix and mingle jest with the serious things of life would help. To insist upon obedience, upon the child's respect for its parents' authority, is perhaps most important. In the schools authority must assert itself, and respect for others' rights be required. The schools may do much, too, to inspire regard for animals and for the weak and helpless and despised. A teacher in whose heart is reverence for God and the truth, and for everything that God has made, may do much. And men—by ceasing the use of profanity, by freeing their conversation from the most shocking and careless use of the name of their Heavenly Father and of the best man that ever lived—might help the boys to be reverent, where now they hinder and spoil them.

Reverence is a thing of form and spirit, of thought and life, of purpose and of conduct. It is not to be simply the practice of Sunday, but the habit of every day. Upon it life's true dignity and worth and real success depends.

CATHOLIC CHURCH AS TO WAR.

Letter from the Archbishops Which Has No Uncertain Tone.

The archbishops of the Catholic church in the United States have addressed a letter to the clergy and laity of the country hearing on the war with Spain. It will be read in all the churches Sunday. It is indorsed by Mgr. Martinelli, the apostolic delegate, and is as follows:—

To the clergy and laity of the Catholic church of the United States, greeting:—

The events that have succeeded the blowing up of the battleship Maine, and the sacrifice of 266 innocent victims, the patriotic seamen of the United States, have culminated in a war with Spain and our own beloved country.

Whatever may be the individual opinions of Americans prior to the declaration of war, there can now be no two opinions as to the duty of every loyal American citizen. A resort to arms was determined upon by the chief executive of the nation, and with the advice of both houses of Congress and after consultation with his cabinet officers, but not until after every effort had been exhausted to bring about an honorable and peaceful solution of our difficulties with Spain. The patient calmness, the dignified forbearance, the subdued firmness of President McKinley during the trying time that intervened between the destruction of the Maine and the declaration are beyond all praise, and should command the admiration of every true American. We, the members of the Catholic church, are true Americans, and as such are loyal to our country and our flag, and obedient to the highest decrees and the supremacy of the nation.

We are now engaged in a war of section against section, or state against state, but we are united as one man against a foreign enemy and a common foe. If, as we are taught by our holy church, love of country is next to love of God, a duty imposed on us by all laws, human and divine, then it is our duty to labor and to pray for the temporal and spiritual well-being of the brave soldiers who are battling for our beloved country. Let us faithfully beg the god of battles to crown their arms on land and sea with victory and triumph, and to stay unnecessary effusion of blood, and speedily to restore peace to our beloved land and people.

To this end we direct that on and after the receipt of this circular, and until the close of this war, every priest shall, in his daily mass, pray for the restoration of peace by the glorious victory of our flag.

We also direct that prayers for the brave soldiers and sailors that fall in battle be said every day after a mass. These prayers shall be one Our Father, and one Hail Mary and the De Profundis.

We pray that God may bless and preserve our country in this great crisis and speedily bring victory, honor and peace to all our people.

C. K. Gamwell has taken the agency for the Mouarch bicycles.

Mrs. Ella Sedgwick of Springfield visited friends here Wednesday.

A. A. Bush has moved into Harvey Chapman's tenement on Pine street.

Mrs. W. P. Webster and daughter Ella are visiting relatives in Springfield.

A new and attractive sign has been placed above the door of LeGro's drug store.

L. L. Merrick post, G. A. R., will hold a special meeting in Memorial Hall the 25th.

The Mother's Club held a meeting at the home of Mrs. S. H. Hellyar this afternoon.

Fred Thomas, recently employed in the Central Vermont freight house, has gone to Lynn.

Lyman Sheldon has moved from Park street into the Feeney house on South Main street.

The school committee held a meeting Monday afternoon, transacting the usual routine of business.

Selectman G. M. Atkins and Lawyer Homer C. Strong were in Boston several days this week.

C. S. Wood is to sing at a recital to be given in Ware this evening by Prof. J. S. R. Coy of Monson.

The weavers at the carpet mill are to have a reduction in their wages amounting to abont 10 per cent.

The King's Daughters met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. H. Higgins on Park street.

A regular meeting of Revere Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, will be held in Masonic Hall this evening.

Mrs. J. W. King of East Hartford, Ct., is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. B. Taylor, on Maple street.

Rev. O. G. Petrie of the Universalist church exchanged pulpits with Rev. Harry Blackford of Monson Sunday.

Rev. George A. Brock of Saxonville preached in the Congregational church Sunday morning and evening.

At the Baptist church next Sunday morning there will be preaching by Rev. C. R. Minard. Subject, "Ifs and thens of life."

Save Electric Lustre Starch trade marks. Send three to the Electric Lustre Starch Co., 45 Commercial street, Boston, Mass., and receive a set of pretty paper dolls, free. C. HITCHCOCK & Co.

A child of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Belanger died last Saturday.

Florence, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs Peter Chabbot, died Sunday.

Watson Coleman went to Boston Monday, and will soon go into training

George Eycrolt has been kept from his work by illness a part of the week.

Miss Belle Hitchcock of Gilbertville is visiting her uncle, Franklin Barker.

Mrs. J. Burlingame of Baptist Hill is recovering from an injury she received last fall.

A number from this place attended the funeral of Judge Robinson in Palmer Sunday.

Rev. G. S. Butler will exchange pulpits next Sunday with Rev. E. S. Rivard of Union, Ct.

F. D. Orcutt, a former resident of Baptist Hill, has left for the Soldiers' Home at Togus, Me.

A collection for the benefit of home missions will be taken in the Union church next Sunday morning.

Miss Minnie Chambers of Gilbertville visited her uncle, Robert Chambers of this place, this week.

A number of residents of this place have lost money by the failure of the Hampshire Savings Bank at Northampton.

A horse belonging to M. Jacobson, a shoe peddler, ran into the canal bridge and broke the shafts off the cart Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Tewell has broken the record for early vegetables, having string beans large enough to eat; they were raised in the house.

Oliver Rivers, who works in Haynes's saw mill, was struck in the eye by a flying knot on Friday of last week. He was attended by Dr. Bliss.

The parishioners of St. Anne's church showed their appreciation of their pastor, Rev. Joseph Marchand, by presenting him last Sunday with a purse of $200 on his return from Europe. The presentation speech was made by Dr. J. C. Bonlay. Appropriate singing and music was furnished by the choir under the direction of the organist, Mrs. J. C. Bonlay. Much credit is due Rev. Father Desroches, who so ably conducted the affairs of the parish during the absence of Father Marchand.

BONDSVILLE.

Mrs. H. C. Morgan spent a few days this week with relatives in Ware.

Miss Mignon Fuller of Palmer was the guest of Miss Florence Bond over Sunday.

Mrs. J. F. Hannifin of Springfield visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Carmody, Wednesday.

Mrs. S A. Weld of Indian Orchard has been spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. F. A. Alden.

The two lower bridges over the canal and river are being considerably improved in appearance by a fresh coat of paint.

W. S. Whiting and a gang of men are working this week on Pleasant street, widening the road and putting up a new railing.

The infant daughter of Daniel Shea, who lives in South Belchertown, died Monday and was buried at Thorndike Wednesday afternoon.

Thomas Russell has resigned his position in the Boston Duck Company's machine shop and gone to Lowell, where he has taken a position with the American Bolt Co., under H. A. Stevens. He will be much missed among the young people.

Some time during the day Sunday a party of hoodlums broke into the shed in the rear of Clark & Hastings's market. They got hold of some paint that was left there and smeared the inside of the building all over with it. Complaint has been made before of the crowd that gather around the corner every Sunday, and something is liable to be done about it soon.

Earl O'Regan, son of William O'Regan of Indian Orchard and formerly of Bondsville, met with a serious accident in Springfield last Saturday. He was riding his bicycle on State street when he was run into by a team, throwing him off and smashing the wheel He was picked up unconscious and removed to his home. He did not seem to be very badly hurt bodily, but his brain seemed to be affected and he has been quite delirious at times. The doctor seems to think he will recover.

The meetings of the Savation Army have been well attended during the past week, and much interest is manifested. The playing of the band is enjoyed very much by young and old. Two members of the Army left this week, one going to Malden to serve and the other being called home by the illness of his father. Next Monday evening one of the high officials of the Army will be present and an interesting meeting is anticipated. Large numbers of people have come in from other places to attend the meetings. A large party came from Three Rivers Saturday night, and Wednesday night a party of over fifty came from Monson.

THORNDIKE.

James McFarlane is at his home at the Dutton farm.

William Fowler of the West is visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Keith.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Dow of New Haven are guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Miller.

John R. Wagner has taken a position as wine clerk at the Nassowanno Hotel, Palmer.

Florence Murdock has returned from a visit with her sister, who resides in Millbury.

Dennis Daily has been confined to his home on Commercial street the past week on account of sickness.

M. Lawlor is brightening the appearance of his property on Commercial street by a new coat of paint.

Several Thorndike people went to Three Rivers Friday evening to attend the dance, and report a good time.

Several Thorndike people went to Palmer Sunday afternoon to attend the funeral of the late Judge Robinson.

Mrs. G. A. Murdock, who has been visiting in Cleveland, O., for several weeks, is expected to return this week.

Rev. T. J. Donoghue of St. Thomas's parish, Palmer, was celebrant at mass on Sunday in St. Mary's church, on account of the illness of Rev. F. J. Lynch.

S. J. Jorczak, the Polish grocer, met with a bad accident this week. While exercising a young and spirited horse he was thrown from his team and broke his arm.

The American House, the new hotel which is run by William Lawton, was opened May 1st, and judging from appearances is doing a thriving business.

On next Sunday evening there will be a union temperance meeting in the vestry of the Congregational church at 7 o'clock, conducted by the Y. P. S. C. E.

Much interest is manifested in the coming field day by local sportsmen, which will be held May 30th on the park at Palmer, and it is assured that Thorndike will be well represented.

A large American flag was thrown to the breeze on Wednesday evening between the Clinton House and H. T. Bishop's residence on Commercial street, because of the great victory by Com. Dewey at Manila.

E. J. Fuller will have a barn raising next Wednesday, if the weather is favorable. A clam bake will also be held on the grounds the same day, and a large number are expected to be present from the surrounding towns.

The body of Mrs. John Chabbott of Smithville, formerly of this place, was brought here for burial Monday

ANNOUNCEMENT.

We, the undersigned, are pleased to announce that we have formed a partnership, under the firm name of Squier & McCray, for the purpose of engaging in the wholesale and retail Coal Business in Monson.

We have made arrangements to handle a line of first-class coal, and it will be our endeavor to serve customers in a thoroughly satisfactory manner.

We shall have large storage sheds, with improved appliances for handling the coal, and the same will be thoroughly screened, and carefully weighed.

With our connections with large wholesale dealers, and our improved facilities for handling, we can, and will meet any and all competition as regards quality and price.

In a short time we shall receive our first consignment of coal, and will then be able to quote prices.

Our office, with Squier & Co., will be open every working day, and Wednesday, Friday and Saturday evenings until 8 o'clock.

Orders sent by mail or telephone, or left at the office, will have our best care, and by giving every attention possible to your interests, we hope to be favored with a share of your patronage.

Yours very truly,

W. A. SQUIER,
O. C. McCRAY.

Monson, Mass., May 6th, 1898.

Stone's General Store,
Main St., Palmer.

Crockery Dept. See our new
Dinner Sets, 112 pieces, $9
Blue or Brown,
Handsome ware and extra good quality.

Stone's, Main St., Palmer.

Forbes & Wallace.

Springfield, May, 1898.

The Story About Shoes.

You know our Shoe Store or should know about it by this time. It's the most talked of shoe store in this part of New England. Good shoes for women, misses and children are sold there at prices that nobody else around here cares to duplicate. But these shoe offerings are of more than ordinary interest.

"Little Gent" satin calf lace shoes for boys, 8 to 13 sizes, have medium toes, calf tips and spring heels; regular $1 25 shoes, at
$1 per pair.

Children's dongola kid and dark tan button boots, medium toes, patent calf tips, spring heels, sizes 6 to 8, usually $1.25, at
75c per pair.

The same as above, sizes 8½ to 11, usually $1.50, at
$1 per pair.

Youths' satin calf lace boots, all solid leather, medium toes, extension soles, Kangaroo kid tops, smooth inner soles, sizes 11 to 2, worth $1.75 per pair, at
$1.25 per pair.

Misses' fine dongola kid button boots, medium toes, patent calf tips, spring heels, sizes 11 to 2; regular $1.75 value, at
$1.25 per pair.

Misses' dark tan button boots, nicely finished kid tips, medium toes, spring heels, sizes 11 to 2; worth $1.75, at
$1.25 per pair.

Women's fine dongola kid button and lace boots, new coin toes, patent calf tips and medium heels, also plain wide toes and low heels; worth $2.50 a pair, at
$1.95 per pair.

Women's cloth top button boots, foxed with dongola kid, new coin toes, concave heels, all widths and sizes, usual $2.75 quality, at
$2 per pair.

Dress Skirts.

Fifty dozen — six hundred black figured mohair dress skirts—lined and interlined—in this sale
98c each.

Shirt Waists.

Grand opening of shirt waists in this sale. Best things that will be worn this season---some at very special prices.

Women's Wrappers.

For this sale:

Sixty dozen --- more --- nearly one thousand pretty summer wrappers of fine lawns, newest patterns, well made, with watteau backs---regular $1 goods---but in this sale at
69c each.

Fifty dozen summer house wrappers, of the best summer patterns light dark and medium percales, made in first class manner, regular $1.25 goods, for this sale
79c each.

Forbes & Wallace,
Main, Vernon and Pynchon Streets,
SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

STONE, MAIN ST., PALMER.

LADIES' SKIRTS---
Brilliantine and Serge.
$2.00, $2.25, $2.50, $3.25, $3.50
Nicely made.

WRAPPERS---
65c,
75c,
98c,
$1.00,
$1.25.
Domestic and others.

SHIRT WAISTS---
25c,
50c,
65c,
$1.00.

Stone's, Main St., Palmer.

Insurance

of every kind placed at short notice, and all favors duly appreciated.

Yours truly,
S. H. HELLYAR.
Office at Ridge's Food Factory.

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 13, 1898.

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

MONSON.

MONSON BOY TO THE FRONT.

Harry T. Chapin Enlists in Co. C, Second Regiment.

The people of Monson will be interested to learn that one of Monson's boys had enlisted and will take part in the war with Spain. Harry T. Chapin, son of Mrs. Lillian L. Chapin, and well known to Monson people, enlisted in Company C of the Second Regiment at Camp Dewey, South Framingham, on Monday, and will be under the command of Colonel Clark of Springfield. He passed an excellent physical examination, and being familiar with the bugle was appointed as buglar. Mr. Chapin was born in Worcester, and when quite young came to Monson with his parents, where he resided for nearly seventeen years. He attended the public schools and the Academy, and in 1894 started to take an electrical course at Tufts College, but during the fall he returned home on account of the death of his father. Soon after he attended the Boston School of Pharmacy for a short time, but finally decided to follow the electrical business About two years ago he entered the employment of the New England Telephone Co., and about four months ago was appointed an inspector in the Worcester division, a position he held at the time of his enlistment. He has always been more or less connected with newspaper work, having been reporter for both the Springfield *Republican* and *Union* He also started the Monson *Herald*, and was for some time its editor and sole proprietor His father, the late Harlow Chapin, served during the late war in the 8th Connecticut volunteers. The Second regiment left yesterday for New York, where it will be transported to Tampa, Flo., or Key West, and will probably be among the first volunteer regiments to invade Cuba.

TO GET EVEN WITH THE OFFICER.

Constable Howlett in Court for Keeping an Unlicensed Dog.

Officer Eugene Howlett was summoned before the district court at Palmer Tuesday morning by Officer Osborne on complaint of Chester Blanchard for keeping an unlicensed dog. The law states that all dogs must be licensed before the first day of May, although there are very few towns where it is strictly enforced. Last summer Mr. Blanchard was summoned before the district court by Officer Howlett for riding a bicycle on the sidewalk, and it is thought by many that he has taken this means to square accounts with Howlett; Blanchard has stated that this is his reason for the complaint. Such cases seldom come before the court, and this is probably the first of its kind from Monson. It was continued until to-morrow.

One of the Town's Oldest Residents.

Chauncey Walcott will be 89 years old to-morrow. He is one of the town's most aged citizens, is probably the oldest man living in the village, and is much respected. He resides with John C. Aldrich, corner of Pearl and East State streets, being Mrs. Aldrich's father. Mr. Wolcott is remarkably active for one of his years, planting and tending a large garden, sawing wood, cutting grass, etc., about the place, and has until recently performed light work in the neighborhood. He is a great reader, both of books and newspapers, and takes the liveliest sort of interest in the war. He is in politics a Democrat, and has never missed voting for president since attaining his majority, and has never until the last election missed voting in town elections except on account of change of residence. Monson people who are older than Mr. Walcott are John Zuill of Wood Hill, Mrs. Susan Green of South Monson, and Miss Asenath Sabin of North Main street.

Quarryman's Bad Fall.

John Lynch, employed at W. N. Flynt's Granite quarry, was seriously injured Tuesday at the quarry. He was prying on a stone when he slipped and fell from a ledge down 20 feet, striking among the rocks. One rib was fractured and he received a bad gash on the head, besides being badly bruised.

John Lynch is building an addition to his house on Mechanic street.

T. J. Hynes has just finished a house on East Hill for Joseph Sunter.

Squier & McCray, the new coal firm, are ready to set prices and take orders for coal.

Miss Edith Squier of Holyoke has been spending a few days with Mrs. G. H. Newton.

Amos Hobbs returned Monday from a two-weeks' visit in Providence, Boston and vicinity.

Miss Carrie E. Webb will sing at Prof. J. S. R. Coy's musical in Ware this evening.

Chemical companies Nos. 1 and 2 of the fire department held practice meetings last evening.

Dr. and Mrs. P. T. O'Reilly of Holyoke spent Sunday with Mrs. E. O'Reilly on the "Green."

William L. Ricketts spent Sunday with his brother, Charles L. Ricketts, in South Manchester, Ct.

Four 'bus loads of Monson people attended the Salvation Army meeting at Boudsville Wednesday evening.

At the regular meeting of A. A. Gage camp, S. of V., Tuesday night one new member was admitted.

Mrs. E. R. Sisson visited her sister, Mrs. F. O. Bardwell, at North Hatfield, a few days the first of the week.

S. F. Cushman, S. F. Cushman, Jr., and Miss Hattie Cushman returned Friday from a trip to Washington, D. C.

Division 10, Ancient Order of Hibernians, will hold a social dance in its hall to-night, with music by Brown's orchestra.

Rev. O. G. Petrie of Palmer preached in the Universalist church Sunday in exchange with the pastor, Rev. Harry Blackford.

Roy, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Graves on Park avenue, is sick with diphtheria. The house has been quarantined.

A large number from the Monson lodges of Masons and Odd Fellows attended the funeral of Judge Robinson at Palmer Sunday afternoon.

Quite a number of Monson young people attended the social dance given by the Bohemian glass blowers at Stafford Springs Saturday evening.

Another stand pipe has been erected by the order of the water commissioners at the corner of Main and Bliss street for the use of the street sprinkler.

R. H. Cushman and S. F. Cushman, Jr., went to South Framingham yesterday to witness the departure of the Second Regiment for New York.

Mrs. L. W. Rood, president of the Woman's Relief Corps, attended the exemplication of the work of the Relief Corps at Northampton Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cushman, who have been traveling through Europe since last fall, arrived in New York Wednesday on the steamer Majestic and are expected home to-night.

Misses Jennie and Florence Chaffee and Miss Emily Lewis have severed their connection at Heimann & Lichten's hat factory, and secured positions in a jewelry shop in Attleboro.

All the straw workers that have ever been employed at the Heimann & Lichten straw shop will hold a picnic on Flynt's Park June 8th. A picnic of this kind is held by them each year, giving them a chance to renew acquaintances.

The horses attached to a 'bus that was to carry some of the people to Bondsville took a lively run through Main street Wednesday evening Fortunately no damage was done, although it created considerable excitement, as it was about the time the shop hands were going home from work.

The literature class of the Academy visited Theodore Reynolds this week to examine his collection of rare books. The examination was very instructive as well as interesting. The class being so large they were obliged to go in two sections, and were accompanied by their teacher, Miss Harriet R. Pease.

The athletic association of the Academy has secured the Amherst College seniors to present William Gillette's well-known comedy, "All the comforts of home," in Memorial Hall this evening. The proceeds will go toward paying the expenses of the association in training for the annual field meet at Amherst in June. The club consists of fourteen members of the senior class, and the entertainment is well spoken of in many places where it has been presented.

The annual business meeting of the Universalist Sunday school was held Sunday. The reports of the secretary and treasurer showed the school to be in good condition, both in membership and financially. These officers were elected: Superintendent, W. L. Ricketts; assistant superintendent, C. G. King; secretary, H. A. Buffington; treasurer, G. H. Seymour; librarian, Harry Bradway; chorister, Mrs. Lillian L. Chapin; pianist, Miss Lena Babbitt. The appointment of the various committees will be made later.

It is quite evident that some of the young men of the town are planning to get themselves into trouble The red flag that was placed at the entrance of the tenement of R. E. Whitcomb in Noble's block on account of the cases of scarlet fever and diphtheria in that family, was taken away one evening the first of the week by unknown parties. The fine placed by the law for the removal of danger signals is from ten to one hundred dollars. It is unlikely that the selectmen place these flags in places where they are not needed, and probably they will be among the first to know when the danger is over, so that they can be removed.

The exhibition of the animotiscope in Memorial Hall last Friday evening, under the auspices of the Women's Relief Corps, was all that had been claimed for it. There was a good-sized audience present, and from the time the first picture was thrown upon the canvas until the last was given there was round after round of applause, denoting the appreciation of those who witnessed the life-like scenes. Alternating with the views, phonographic selections were given. The instrument was one of exceptional quality, and the selections, both vocal and instrumental, were given with marked distinctness As Mr. Howe had no engagement Saturday evening he repeated the entertainment, although most of the views were different from those given Friday night.

HAMPDEN.

Amos Hines has returned from his trip to Philadelphia.

Herbert Adams has gone to Springfield, where he has taken a position with the Steere Organ Works.

Mrs. Frank Moore has returned from Brattleboro, Vt., and has opened her dressmaking rooms for the summer.

WEST WARREN.

Mrs. Morton Dutch and daughter visited friends in Boudsville Wednesday.

The Epworth League will hold anniversary services at the church next Sabbath.

The W. C. M. Co. is making some much-needed repairs on its Main street property.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Burroughs attended the funeral services last Sunday of Judge Robinson at Palmer.

Frank Tracy and wife of Worcester have been visiting Mrs. Tracy's aunt, Mrs. John Shaw, this week.

Rev. William Dockham of Florence, formerly pastor of the M. E. church in this village, was in town Monday.

A little disturbance on Pleasant street one evening this week resulted in D. Downey's spending the night in the lockup and a call the next morning on Judge Tyler at Warren.

HOLLAND.

The Congregational church has received from a friend in Boston, a gift of new singing books to be used in evening services.

New lights have recently been placed in the rear of the audience room at the church. Much satisfaction is felt in the appearance of the interior of the church, which is unusually attractive for one in a small town, and the several improvements which have been made the past year are fully appreciated.

Rev. and Mrs. Willis left town Wednesday for a trip to Philadelphia, where Mr. Willis expects to meet and consult a distinguished oculist. On their return they will visit Mrs. Willis's old home at Union Valley, N. Y. During the absence of the pastor the desk at the Congregational church will be supplied and the usual services held.

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LUDLOW.

Owen Clifford's Body Found.

The body of Owen Clifford, who was last seen alive on the evening of April 20th, was found floating in the Chicopee river a short distance from Indian Leap bridge Sunday afternoon by Thomas McCarthy of Indian Orchard, who was walking along the river bank. A boat was secured and the body towed ashore, placed in a hex and taken to the police morgue in Springfield. The last seen of Mr. Clifford was on the evening of April 20th between 6 and 7 o'clock, when he was noticed on the west side of the river near Indian Leap bridge. Mr. Clifford was 59 years of age and was a well-known and respected citizen of Ludlow. He leaves a wife, six sons and three daughters. The funeral was held at Clune's undertaking rooms in Springfield Tuesday afternoon, and burial took place in St. Michael's cemetery.

WILBRAHAM.

Miss Lillie Phelps, assistant postmaster, spent Sunday with Miss M. L Poland in Springfield.

Berry & Taylor have established a bulletin board in front of their store and receive the war news from the New England Telephone Company.

The senior class of Wesleyan Academy planted its class tree at 5 o'clock Tuesday afternoon opposite the southwest corner of the new gymnasium. The juniors stole the tree which had been secured and cut it up into souvenirs, but the loss was discovered in time to allow another tree to be secured, which was carefully guarded until the time of the exercises. Dr. W. H. Thomas, the new pastor of the Methodist church, gave the address. Edward Kendall bade good-by to the buildings on the campus, and Miss Ruth I. Marshall spoke upon "Our Tree." Each member of the class then cast in a shovelful of earth and joined in singing the dedicatory ode.

LOCAL BOYS WHO WILL FIGHT FOR CUBA.

Harry T. Chapin of Monson, Co. C, 2d Regt.

Harry H. Medzker of Wales, Co. K, 6th Regt.

BELCHERTOWN.

Work has commenced on the new sidewalks.

George Raymond and family have removed to Daniel Sullivan's house.

Mrs. C. F. Marshall of Springfield has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. I. Davis.

Miss Edith Jackson of Springfield is visiting at the home of her brother, John Jackson.

A little son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Shea died Tuesday. The burial took place Wednesday.

Mrs. Clarence Percy of Saco, Maine, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Morse.

The boys' drum corps held a social dance in Grand Army hall last evening. Purdy's orchestra furnished music.

A number from the Woman's Relief Corps attended the Relief Corps convention at Northampton Wednesday.

Union Grange will present the drama "Timothy Delano's courtship," at their regular meeting Tuesday evening.

Willie Barron, a state ward cared for at the home of H. C. West, received quite a severe bruise on his face last week while leading a horse to water.

The Current Events society met Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Bridgman. The subject of the meeting was "Wars of the United States."

The house owned by Patrick Mahaney in the Turkey Hill district was destroyed by fire Sunday morning, with all of the household goods. There was no insurance.

WARE.

C. C. Hitchcock left yesterday on a four-weeks' business trip to Santa Fe, N. M.

David A. Jennison has opened a cafe in connection with the Hampshire House.

Fred Kimball of Westboro has been engaged as clerk at the Hampshire House.

Charles H. Willard has been chosen class photographer by the seniors of the high school.

Mrs. Julia Clancy has bought from H. C. Davis the house on Eddy street adjoining her own.

Richard Fenn died Friday evening. The funeral was held Monday morning with services at All Saints' church.

The Ware and Holyoke base ball teams will cross bats on the pumping station grounds to-morrow afternoon.

H. P. Cummings & Co. have been awarded the contract for building a $3000 addition to the house of Charles E. Stevens.

Byrns & Crowley, the clothiers, have dissolved partnership, Mr. Byrns retiring. Andrew Crowley will now continue the business in Ware and North Brookfield.

A. J. Davis and Frank Browning have returned from a week's fishing trip at Lake Sunapee. Several large specimens of their catch have been on exhibition in J. F. Robinson's window.

A new railroad schedule now enables the New York mail to arrive at 7 a. m. instead of 8.30, thus doing away with the arrival of two heavy mails at the same time and permitting a quicker distribution.

The hook and ladder company has elected these officers: Foreman, J. C. Minor; first assistant, W. H. Moulton; second assistant, W. R. Bradley; clerk, John E Fitzgerald; treasurer, M E Fitzgerald; steward, Eugene E. Senecal.

About 5000 trout fry have been received from the state department of fisheries and have been placed in the headwaters of Muddy brook. The brook will be posted for three years, after which the stream will be open to public fishing.

Michael Cody met with a serious accident Tuesday morning, falling over the railing above McCabe Bros.' store and striking on the stone steps below. His face and head were badly cut and he remained unconscious for several hours. His injuries are serious, but his complete recovery is expected.

The annual meeting of the fire district was held Monday evening in Firemen's Hall, and these officers elected: Chief engineer, Thomas C. Gleason; first assistant, Michael J. Dillon; second assistant, Frank L. Sherman; third assistant, Michael J. Riley; prudential committee, Frank P. Clark, E. H. Gilbert, F. M. Hosmer; clerk, James M. Maloney; treasurer, J. H. Schoonmaker; auditors, James E. Clark and William N. Newcomb. These appropriations were made: Officers, $507; hydrants, $1000; firemen's salaries, $2100; incidentals, $1100; hose, $200; janitor, $200; annual muster, $125; total, $5295.

WALES.

Wales Boy Enlists.

The first enlistment from Wales in the cause of Cuba is Harrison Harry Medzker, 23 years old. Young Medzker was born in Holden, his father being John Medzker of Germany and his mother Charlotte Luther of Wales. At the age of 1½ years his father died and he came to Wales to live with his grandmother, Betsy Luther, where he remained until he was 21. He attended school at Wales, and several terms at the Brimfield Academy, after which he worked in the mills in Wales until he was 19, when he spent one year at Mt. Hermon school. Returning he secured employment in Southbridge, and there became a member of Co. K, 6th Regt. A year ago he returned to Wales, and being at a considerable distance from his company and unable to attend the meetings was dismissed from it. When the company was called for by Gov. Wolcott Medzker sent word to the captain that if there was a vacancy he desired to enlist, and soon received word that he was wanted, leaving at once to join the company. His only relative is his grandmother, who is nearly 88, and in feeble health.

Two More Burglaries.

Two more burglaries were perpetrated in Wales Monday night or early Tuesday morning, when a horse and buggy were taken from the stable of Rev. H T. Smith and the general store of F. M. Royce entered and about $200 worth of goods stolen. Entrance was gained to Royce's store by the breaking of a window, the entire sash being broken out, which would indicate that the job was done by amateurs. The goods taken included a large lot of boots and shoes, shirts, neckties, suspenders and other furnishings, canned goods, cigars and tobacco Mr. Smith was formerly a pastor of one of the Wales churches, and owns a farm in the town Quite often he is accustomed to spend several days at a time there, and had arrived recently and left the team, which was owned by Liveryman Alonzo Ferry of Feeding Hills, in his barn. It is supposed that the thieves first stole the team from Mr. Smith's stable and then drove to the store, where the goods were loaded in and taken away. Suspicion points to a young man who has been working in one of the mills. He resigned his position Saturday night and was last seen in town Monday. Sheriff H. A. Northrop of Palmer has been put upon the case. He communicated with the officials at the Concord reformatory and learned the description of Ernest Simmons, the man under suspicion, who it appears was released from the reform school on probation last September, where he was sent for feloniously and willfully burning a dwelling house in Ipswich. Simmons is about 17 years of age, 5 feet 3 inches in height, weights 112 pounds, has brown hair, light complexion and blue eyes, wears a 6¾ hat and a 7 shoe. Burglaries in Wales have been frequent during the past few years, and the citizens feel that police protection is needed, as business men and others feel that their property is unsafe.

CARD OF THANKS.—To each who has aided us in any way during our recent bereavement, we wish to extend out sincere thanks.

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Palmer, Mass., May 13th, 1898.

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Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		98 93
U. S Bonds to secure circulation		50,000 00
U. S Bonds to secure U. S. deposits		9,000 00
Stocks, securities, etc		27,133 16
Banking house, furniture and fixtures		4,200 00
Due from State Banks and Bankers		838 96
Due from approved reserve agents		65,314 26
Checks and other cash items		240 28
Notes of other National Banks		537 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents		91 91
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:		
Specie	$9,401 80	
Legal-tender notes	3,185 00	12,586 80
Redemption fund with U. S. Treas'r (5 per cent of circulation)		2,250 00
TOTAL		$385,343 47

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	$100,000 00
Surplus fund	20,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	20,570 44
Tax Reserve	1,000 00
National Bank notes outstanding	45,000 00
Dividends unpaid	245 00
Individual deposits subject to check	177,288 92
Demand certificates of deposit	21,190 11
Cashier's checks outstanding	60 00
TOTAL	$385,343 47

State of Massachusetts, County of Hampden, ss: I, Charles B. Fiske, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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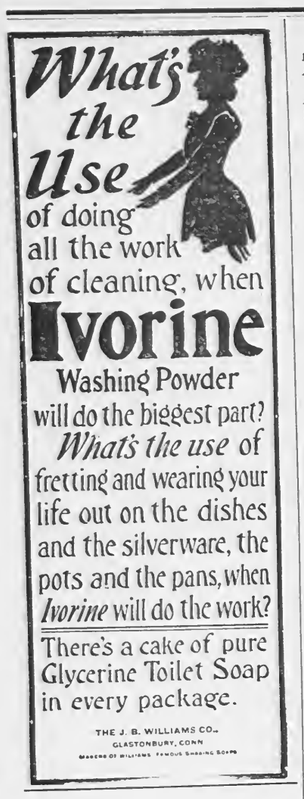

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LEAVE Amherst, 7.05 a. m., 12.24 and 5.57 p. m.

LEAVE Palmer, 8.25 a. m., 1.40 and 7.15 p. m. for New London and intermediate stations.

GOING NORTH.

LEAVE New London, 5.20 and 7.40 a. m., and 2.40 p. m. for Palmer, Brattleboro and intermediate stations.

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CORRECTED TO OCT. 5, 1897

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RETURNING—Leave Boston 8.45 a. m.; 1.30, 4.00 p. m. Sundays, 1.30 p. m.

FOR Worcester—6.55, 9.00 a. m.; 3.14 p. m. Sundays, 6.55 a. m.

RETURNING—Leave Worcester 9.15 a. m.; 2.25, 4.58 p. m.

FOR Oakdale, Hodson and Waltham—6.55, 9.00 a. m.; 3.14 p. m. Sundays, 6.55 a. m.

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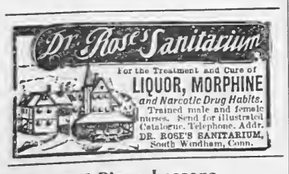
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Beneath the elm trees' arching shade,
As gayly as the flowers arrayed,
A little maid was straying.
A boy, outside this paradise,
Looked in with hungry, longlog eyes,
As if to join her playing.

At length she saw his earnest gaze,
While springing down the grassy ways,
"Poor boy, so sad and lonely,
Take this," she whispered low and meek,
With lips close pressed against his cheek,
"For I have kisses only."

Years passed away. The child of eight
Became a maiden tall, sedate,
With lovers in a plenty.
Again she in the garden stood;
Beside her, in a happy mood,
Lingered a youth of twenty.

"Dear May," he said, with solemn face,
"I trust myself to your kind grace,
And humbly crave your pardon.
I must return without delay
A gift that you bestowed one day
On me in this same gardeo.

"I've treasured it for many years,
My ray of hope 'mid doubts and fears;
I hope you never missed it."
She turned her face in mute surprise
To his; the rogue, with smiling eyes,
Bent down and kissed it.

—*Mary A. Daley, in Harper's Weekly.*

FRUITS FOR SUMMER DIET.

It is necessary to health that a large part of the diet in summer should be both vegetable and acid. Most of the vegetables used as condiments are best used with some vinegar, which in hot weather is always particularly grateful to the palate. But vinegar is the first product of fermentation. When nothing better can be had it may and should be used. But the natural acids of most summer fruits are far to be preferred. Nature provides these during the summer season, beginning with the strawberry among fruits and with the rhubarb plant among vegetables whose acidity is the sole reason for its popularity. The strawberry beguiles us into eating it. When we smell its delicious aroma not a hint is given of the acidity beneath it and which the first bite discloses. Currants and gooseberries are hardly less popular than the strawberry, and they have no aroma, showing that it is really the acid that we want. It is a fact that the most acid strawberries are always sure longest to keep their popularity. The mild sub-acid berries, however good to eat out of hand, are inferior to the acid sorts for canning.

The orange, lemon and lime are the product of tropical climes, and they are much more acid than most fruits grown farther north. There is profound wisdom in this. Where perpetual summer prevails, the liver works sluggishly, and it needs some kind of acids to set it to working again. The natural acids of fruit are much the best for this purpose. In winter, we learn the habit of eating meats and fats of all kinds, which in cold weather the extra amount of oxygen enables the stomach to digest. Oxygen is itself an acid. As the oxygen lessens in the air with warm weather, the system becomes less able to digest fatty foods, and men say truly that the liver is clogged. It is the liver which emulsifies the fats. The craving of the appetite for acids in some form indicates that this is what both stomach and liver crave to enable the latter to perform its work properly. Even quite fat pork can be eaten with a relish if first covered with vinegar, though the appetite otherwise would reject it.

While vinegar may often be injurious, especially as much of it is now made from chemically produced acids, the natural acidity of fruits produces just as good effects in stimulating the liver without any bad after results. Nor need we be confined to fruits that taste acid. All our Northern-grown fruits, even when sweet, contain enough acids to make them beneficial. Very rich fruits contain much saccharine matter, which disguises their acidity. They are, however, not so easy to digest as the less highly flavored fruits, in which acid predominates. The russet apple, for example, though called a sour apple, has a great deal of sweetness under the sour, which makes its cider very rich. With so great a variety of fruits as can be always had in the markets, nobody should suffer from indigestion if inaction of the liver is the cause of the trouble.

A BOAT 4500 YEARS OLD.

A Viking craft found in Norway some time ago was in use about the year 1000 A. D., and at once became famous as by far the oldest speciman of water-craft in existence. The boats in the Gizeh Museum, it was decided by the learned, were used at least 4500 years ago, and were coutemporaneous with the Dashur pyramids of the eleventh Egyptian dynasty.

With this boat and the two which remain in the Cairo museum were two more, which still rest in the sands which stretch desolately from the Dashur pyramids, near which they were found.

The five boats were found buried at a considerable depth not far from the famous largest pyramid, and in such orderly form and with such mathematical relationship to the great pile of stone that it was evident that they had been buried with design at that particular spot.

The boats were found to be alike in the material of which they were constructed and in their general dimensions. The cedar of antiquity, which entered into so much of the construction of things of wood, was used in building these boats. While the equipments of the boats had generally disappeared with time, their shapely outlines still remained.

The boat that is in Chicago now was probably better preserved than any. It is thirty feet long, eight feet of beam, and four feet of hold. A well-preserved and peculiarly marked and designed piece of rudder of wood was found near the boats.—*Harper's Round Table.*

A NARROW ESCAPE.—A darky was suing a railroad company for damages—caused by the killing of his cow. There was a strong suspicion that he had purposely driven the cow on the track.

"Did you not drive the animal in front of the engine?" asked the lawyer for the road.

"No, suh, I didn't!"

"You'll swear you didn't?"

"Yes, suh—ten times over!"

He won the case, but as he pocketed the check for his money someone overheard him say:—

"Dat wuz a narrow escape I had, I tell you; but I tol' him de truth. It wuzn't me what driv' de cow in front er de engine, but my brother-in-law—he de one done it! I mighty glad dat lawyer stop where he did, kase he wuz right in the fambly!"—*Atlanta Constitution.*

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FIRST NIGHT IN A "SLEEPER."

A traveler from the short-grass country boarded No. 1 at Dodge City a few nights ago, says the Topeka (Kan.) State *Journal.* He wore long, white whiskers and a wide-brimmed, white felt hat, and he stood six feet six. His boots were neatly blacked and he had on a new suit of clothes. It was apparent that he was not at home in his new toggery. He was going to California, he explained, to visit his oldest son, who was a prosperous fruit raiser on the coast. He had engaged a berth in the Pullman, and he asked the conductor where it was.

"Right here, sir," said the conductor as he pointed out the section.

"Do you sleep in it that way, all curled up on a seat?" he asked in amazement.

"No; it will be made up when you are ready to retire."

The man did not exactly know what "made up" meant, but he asked no more questions. He sat in the drawing-room and smoked, and finally he said to the conductor:—

"Well, I guess I'll turn in."

"All right, sir: your berth is made up."

The man walked into the main part of the car. Then he went to the drawing-room.

"They all look alike," he said; you will have to show me mine."

The conductor showed him to his berth and left him. The man looked at it; then he went back to the rear platform of the car and closed the door. In a few minutes he stuck his head in the car and shouted:—

"Look out; I'm coming," and he made a run for his berth with his clothes, or most of them, under his arm. In the morning he stuck his head out between the curtains and called the conductor.

"How in thunder am I going to get out on the platform to dress with all these people looking?"

The conductor explained to him that he would have to dress in the berth. He did so, but it took him two hours.

AN OPEN LETTER

From Miss May Sachner, of Columbus, O., to Ailing Women.

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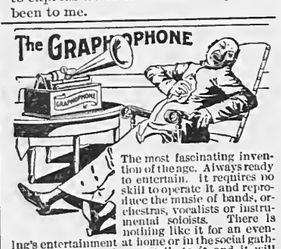

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Than to get a little nigher,
If he could.
And his heart beat high and higher,
And her hair grew shy and shyer,
When he shifted up close by her,
As he should.

Then he ventured to enquire
If her sister, Jane Maria,
And her mother and her sire,
Were quite well.
And from time to time he'd eye her,
As though he would like to buy her,
And his bashfulness was dire,
For a spell.

Then his husky throat grew dryer
When he told her that the squire
To himself would gladly tie her
If she would.
Might he now go ask her sire?
And he thought he would expire
When she said to his desire
That he could!

—*Burlington Hawkeye.*

A GREEN PRIVATE AND HIS RIFLE.

Capt. Thomas Sharp of the 17th regiment, United States infantry, writing in the Pittsburg *Dispatch*, has this to say regarding the Krag-Jorgensen rifle: The "magazine rifle, caliber .30," familiarly called the Krag-Jorgensen, is the arm equipment of the infantry of the United States army. It has a range of about three miles and an accuracy never before attained in small arms—that is, when in the hands of a man trained to its use, for at the same distance a properly instructed soldier will pick off a man and the untrained one "miss a barn."

When one of these rifles is put into the hands of a new man the theory of its care and use is explained to him by a non-commissioned officer, and before the lecture is through his feelings are something like those of Mark Twain after receiving his first lesson in piloting. He is ready to say, "Sergeant, I can never get all that into my head, and if I did it would be so heavy that my legs would not be able to support it. I would have to go on crutches."

The sergeant's reply would be like that of Mark's perceptor: "My boy, you have got to learn it or you never will be able to use your rifle. You will get it by degrees. Private Blank is in the next bunk; go to him and let him overlook every time you tilt a latch or turn a lever. Little by little you will learn it all, but if you are not careful you will have your piece unserviceable before you are aware of it."

Then comes the training in the gallery at close range, the grip of the piece, the pull on the trigger, the proper time and degree of expansion of the lungs, the proper expiration, etc. And after that comes estimating distances, the theory of the course of the projectile through the air, the elevation required for certain distance. The recruit is taught that the expulsion of the bullet from the barrel gives it an eccentric movement called "drift," and that the air gives it another movement called windage; that atmospheric conditions often carry with them optical illusions, so that while the target appears to be in a certain place it is in reality several feet distant, and in order to shoot well he has to estimate these influences separately and in combination in every variation of light and wind.

By continued application he masters point after point until what first appears to be a tangled mass now proves to be a pleasing study, and he thinks he knows it all, but he doesn't.

Thus it is seen that every experienced soldier in the army is an expert, a capable teacher whose services are needed as such.

CAUTIOUS.

He walked into the apothecary shop with a hesitating step, and glanced nervously at the rows of bottles with a scared look in his pale blue eyes. After fidgeting about uncertainly for some time, he at last caught the eye of the clerk, and beckoning mysteriously, led the way to a secluded corner by the cigar-case, where the clerk was surprised by finding a trembling forefinger booked tenaciously into one of his button-holes and an eager face thrust suddenly almost against his.

"What's the matter?" asked the clerk.

"I s'pose you can lay your hand right on the morphine-bottle, can't you?" said the stranger, in an anxious whisper.

"Yes, sir. Certainly," replied the astonished salesman.

"An' I reckon if you was pushed you could find the strychnine in a minite or two?"

"Of course."

"Mebbe the arsenic hasn't got lost or mislaid clear beyond findin', if you just had to, has it?"

"Assuredly not."

"An' the sugar-of-lead bottle couldn't get away from you if it tried?"

"No, indeed."

"An' chasin' up the vitriol to its lair would be just play for you?"

"My dear sir, of course I am familiar with all the drugs here."

"But s'posin' some of the other fellers had been changin' them around, just as a joke, you know?"

"What do you mean?"

"Suppose the bottles had got mixed?"

"Impossible. Besides, everything is plainly labelled."

"An' there ain't no chance of your palmin' off prussic-acid for peppermint?"

"Not the slightest."

"Well, I've—half—a—notion—to—risk—it. Yes, you may give me two ounces of peppermint, young man."—*Harper's Round Table.*

AT MIDNIGHT.

At rare intervals the moon peeped through the billows of a sea of fleecy clouds and cast sickly beams across the path of a form which was walking slowly and stealthily in a country graveyard. The figure stole furtive glances about him as he crept to the grave of a man who had died on the gallows on Friday. Just as the clock was tolling the midnight hour the form fell prostrate on the grave, utteriug not a sound. Almost in an instant the figure arose. Taking a knife from his pocket, he made a single, rapid cut, and turned to leave the place. A moonbeam revealed a look of ghoulish glee on his countenance.

"Halt!"

The figure stopped.

"Who goes there?"

"Jist a poah niggah."

The figures met and the lanteru's flash disclosed the identity of the men.

"Sam Johnsing!"

"Hiram Jackson!"

"Whatcher doin' heah, Hiram Jackson? Lookin' fo' ghosts?"

"Naw. What you doin' heah yo'se'f?"

"Come afrer dis rabbit's lef' hin' foot. Kotched him at 12 o'clock on a dahk night, on the grave of a man hung on Friday. G'way, niggah! Wouldn't take a thousand dollahs fo' it. Yo' niggahs won't be in it wid me at cake-walks and shootin' craps."—*Louisville Courier-Journal.*

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Little Gladys, whose father was accustomed to express himself as "up in G" when he felt well and happy, was saying her prayers one night, and she closed her prayer by saying: "Dear Lord, please keep my dear papa up in G."

While in the country recently, and walking one day near a railway, a little girl, who is just over three years of age, noticed an old railway car which had had the wheels removed, and was evidently doing duty as a workman's shed. "Look!" she exclaimed, "ther's train sitting down!"

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O'er business transactions, and "profit and loss,"—
When babies are teething—big sons going wild,—
And daughters by flattering falsehoods beguiled,—
This thought may soothe some of our troubles and fears,
"It will be all the same in a hundred years."

When riches take wings and go flying away,
With bills falling due which we never can pay,—
When the slanderer's tongue has assailed our good name,
Or the deeds of dear friends caused us sorrow and shame;
When those we have trusted have proven untrue,
And earth's sweetest flowers turn to "hyssop and rue,"—
Then we sigh for relief from this dark vale of tears,
For "'twill be all the same in a hundred years."

Yes, for us, all the same: the old world moves along,
There's a dirge for the sad,—for the happy a song;
For the saddest of hearts there will be some relief—
Though we cannot forget, time will temper our grief.
We would hardly be missed, should we fall in the strife,
Though we each do our best in the battle of life;
And well 'tis for us if the thought ever cheers,
"It will be all the same in a hundred years."

Then be of good courage, when weary and worn
We feel that our trials can hardly be borne;
The storm-clouds of life make our day seem like night,
Yet the sun of God's love shines beyond, clear and bright.
When some petty oppression from those who have power
Makes us weep, yet despise them,—poor "kings for an hour,"—
We know there's release from injustice and jeers,
And, "'twill be all the same in a hundred years."

HELEN F. MOORE.

Monson, Mass.

HOW THE THREE MISS PERRINGS LEARNED FORGIVENESS.

"Yes'm, we're jus' three girls tryin' ter make our way in the world." The speaker was a shabbily dressed woman whose hair was turning gray. "Yes, Mis' Haynes," she went on, "it's an old story. We three girls kept house lor pa after ma died, but he wasn't contented, jus' like a man, an' off he goes an' marries, an' she turns us out the harmhouse an' we three girls have had to sew ever since. Hate her? I tell you there ain't no love lost between us girls an' her. She lives over on the ol' place near Jonesboro. You know that stone house? That's it, our ol' home. We girls don't have nothin' to say to her, I tell you. What's that? You don't think she can be very happy? Well, I ain't never seen signs of her bein' unhappy yet, Mis' Haynes. It's an up and down world. Well, I've got to be goin'. I'll bring these waists home a Tuesday, Mis' Haynes. Good evenin'."

Miss Perring made her way down the front walk to the pike outside. Her face wore a very hard look as she drew near the last of the three beautiful farms that lay on her way. Her stepmother lived there alone with the old negro servant. She gazed wistfully over the acres of land and up the long avenue at the old gray house standing amid the lilacs and snowballs.

"Good evenin' Miss Cindy," said a voice.

Miss Perring turned with a start. Jim Collins stood just beside her in the road.

"Dreamin', Miss Cindy?" he asked pleasantly. "Old place looks kinder nat'ral, don't it?"

"Yes," said Miss Perring, the hard look setting in her face. "She drove us out, Jim."

"La, Miss Cindy," answered Jim, plunging his hands into his pockets, "there's ups and downs in the world lor everybody."

"There's ups and downs of our own makin', Jim Collins, an' we ain't got no right to complain, and there's ups and downs of other people's, an' I ain't goin' to feel right about them, I tell you. I ain't goin' to forget soon how she turned us out of our own father's place."

"She's never got so much happiness out of it, Miss Cindy."

Miss Perring started. "Why, Miss Haynes said just that to-day, Jim. I ain't much given to thinkin' of Her happiness, Jim."

"No, I know you ain't," said Jim shortly. "It ain't no use talking to us girls 'bout Her," went on Miss Perring. "We don't lorgive."

Jim said no more, and at the end of the lane they parted, Miss Lucinda making her way to the little house where she lived with her sisters.

"Tired?" inquired her sister Sallie as Miss Lucinda sank wearily into a chair in the sewing room.

"It ain't tiredness, Sallie, it's passing the ol' place."

Miss Sallie set her lips. "I'll it hadn't been lor Her," she said, "we'd been there to-day. There's one thing certain," she added savagely, "she's got to be punished sooner or later, an' I, lor one, ain't goin' to cry if it's sooner."

"None of us would," returned Miss Bettie. "There she is, jus' settin' up there easy, an' in comfort, an we slavin' day in and day out," and Miss Bettie hit her thread viciously.

"Sister Sallie, did you ever think she might be unhappy?" asked Miss Lucinda suddenly.

"No, Lucindy, I didn't," returned Miss Sallie shortly. "She ain't got feelin' enough to be unhappy."

"Who's been putting that into your head, Lucindy?" asked Miss Bettie, sharply.

"Mis' Haynes jus' said she reckoned She wasn't so happy, an' Jim Collins he said the same thing."

"What do they know about Her?" remarked Miss Sallie, angrily. "We're the ones who know."

"Lucinda," said Miss Bettie one summer day, a month or two after Miss Lucinda had taken her walk, "I wish you'd never gone to Miss Haynes, gettin' them notions in your head about Her being unhappy." Miss Lucinda stared. She had never spoken of the subject of her stepmother's unhappiness since the day of her walk.

"I ain't said nothing about Her in a long time," said Miss Lucinda indignantly, "I don't know's there's any particular notions in my head."

"Well, you needn't say anything about Her bein' unhappy," said Miss Bettie, crossly.

Miss Lucinda rose. "I'm goin' to the gate," she said; "it's pleasant, an' I want a breath of air."

She went down the neat walk to the gate and stood leaning on the rail enjoying the evening quiet. By and by Jim Collins came along on horseback.

"Good evenin', Miss Cindy," he said stopping his horse.

"Good evenin', Jim," returned Miss Lucinda, smiling pleasantly.

"Mis' Perring's down sick," he said, glancing dubiously at Miss Lucinda.

The latter flushed. "What's the matter, Jim?" she inquired.

"Dipthery," he said shortly. "It's a bad case, Miss Cindy. Won't nobody go near her."

"Who is nursin' her?" inquired Miss Lucinda.

"There ain't nobody but ol' Aunt Mary there. Ma can't go on account of the children."

He started to go on his way, when he stopped his horse and looked back.

"She ain't so happy, you see, Miss Lucindy," he called over his shoulder.

"No," she said, and turned and went into the house.

"Betty," she announced, entering the kitchen. "She's down with dipthery."

"Well," said her sister, in a hard voice, "there's some justice in the world."

"She ain't got a soul to nurse her but Mary. Everybody's 'fraid."

"It ain't none of our business," returned Miss Bettie, sharply.

"If She'd been different, we'd been different," remarked Miss Sallie, coming to the door, sewing in hand. "She's reapin' her whirlwind."

"Jim Collins asked me if I thought She was happy now," volunteered Miss Lucinda, timidly.

Miss Sallie looked at her sister angrily. "I wish you wouldn't always be sayin' things to make people feel uncomfortable," she said.

"I only told you what Jim said," replied Miss Lucinda.

All three sisters looked very grave as they took their place at the supper table.

"It must be mighty uncomfortable to be sick by yourself," said Miss Lucinda, suddenly.

"I wish you'd hush, Cindy," answered Miss Bettie, impatiently.

Miss Lucinda said no more, and after supper she and Miss Sallie went to church, where special services were being held that week. Miss Bettie sat down on the doorsteps in the warm air. The fireflies were darting about, and the katydids were making themselves heard in the trees. Miss Bettie was thinking, and her thoughts were not pleasant ones.

"If thine enemy hunger feed him," kept coming into her mind.

Presently her sisters returned. Miss Lucinda's eyes were red.

"She's worse," she said, and passed into the house.

"What was the text?" asked Miss Bettie of her sister as they stood a moment by the door.

"If thine enemy hunger feed him," answered Miss Sallie slowly.

Miss Bettie started. "Them katydids mos' drive me wild," she said, rising to go in.

Next morning Miss Lucinda did not come to breakfast.

"She's gone to Clifton for them things 'fore it gets hot," remarked Miss Sallie, noticing the remains of a meal on the kitchen table. Both sisters ate their breakfast in silence. They seemed wrapped in thought.

"I'm going over to Collins's for that pattern, Sallie," remarked Miss Bettie at last, taking her hat from the shelf in the closet.

After she left Miss Sallie sat sewing for a few moments, then she, too, put on her hat.

"There ain't no harm in goin' to inquire," she said slowly.

She put her sewing away, and locking the door, placed the key under the door mat. A short cut across the fields brought her to the stone house. The chickens were running about in the yard, and an old Jersey cow was feeding by the fence.

"It's our old Molly," she said, and a hard look settled in her face. She hesitated a moment.

"As we forgive those who trespass against us." She opened the gate and went in. As she did so she saw a figure pass along the front walk. It was Miss Bettie.

Both sisters blushed. Miss Sallie knocked softly at the front door.

"Sakes alive," said the old colored woman who opened it, "it's Miss Bettie an' Miss Sallie."

"How is she?" asked Miss Sallie, softly. This time the pronoun was not capitalized by her voice.

"She's wuss, Miss Sallie. She ain't gwine git well. La, now, Miss Sallie, she's sorry how she done you girls. She can't talk now, po'chile. Come in, honey, come in, Miss Bettie."

They followed her into the broad, cool hall where they had played as children. Both remembered the day when, bags in hand, they had passed through the great stone gate.

"It's ketchin', Miss Bettie," said Mary. "Po' chile, it'll do her lots of good jes ter know you've done forgib her nuff to come."

"We want to see her, Mary," answered Miss Bettie. "We could not feel right lettin' her die, an' not try to help nurse her."

Nobody but God knew what a victory Miss Bettie had won over herself. It was hard lor her to lorgive. They followed Mary up stairs.

"Bettie, go back," said Miss Sallie, but her sister only opened the door, and they both went in.

In the gloom they saw the sick, wasted figure lying in the bed, her gray hair scattered about on the pillow. She tried to speak, but sank back, her face full of pain and shame.

"You needn't bother," said Miss Sallie, softly. "If God forgives you, I reckon we can."

The sick woman looked gratefully up into her face.

Miss Bettie laid her hand on her stepmother's. I reckon we was some to blame," she said.

Nobody had ever heard Miss Bettie acknowledge herself in the wrong before. A third figure came from beside the window and joined him. It was Miss Lucinda. She knelt down by the bed and her sisters followed her example.

"Our father," she prayed, "lorgive us our trespasses as we lorgive those who trespass against us, lor thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever," and the sisters said Amen softly, and the lips of the sick woman moved as she tried to pronounce the word. Her face was wet with tears.

"For the Lord Jesus Christ's sake," said Miss Lucinda, and bending down, she kissed her stepmother's hand.—*Geo. Hunt, in New York Observer.*

LITTLE FARMS.

Many farmers spread their labors over too large an area of land, doing nothing well, being always hurried and behind in their work, with no time for rest or recreation, says a writer in the *Epitomist*. By attempting to cover too much ground the work is only half accomplished, with the result that the yield is much lessened and the quality of an inferior grade, so that the returns from the large farm in many instances will not cover cost of production; while if there should be a small surplus, large taxes and cost of repairs will swallow it up, so that the hard worked farmer has nothing to show at the end of the year for his long season of tedious labor.

Of course there are some men possessed with capital and exceptional business talent who are making large farms pay all expenses and yield a handsome profit besides; but the majority of farmers will secure better results and obtain more real enjoyment for themselves and families by adopting a system of intensive farming.

Courage.

It is not they that never knew
Weakness or fear who are the brave:
Those are the proud, the knightly few
Whose joy is still to serve and save.

But they who, in the weary night,
Amid the darkness and the stress,
Have struggled with disease and blight,
With pitiful world-weariness—

They who have yearned to stand among
The free and mighty of the earth,
Whose sad, aspiring souls are wrung
With starless hope and hollow mirth—

Who die with every day, yet live
Through merciless, unbrightened years,
Who sweetest right is to forgive
And smile divinely through their tears:

They are the noble, they the Strong,
They are the tried, the trusted ones,
And though their way is hard and long
Straight to the pitying God it runs.

—*Harper's Weekly.*

HOW THE BURGLAR LEFT.

"No, Amelia, you cannot write a successful burglar story. Your burglars are too considerate. Now, a burglar hasn't any professional pride. He doesn't care how easily he can get into a house. He gloats over a solitary establishment, though he goes prepared to kill whomsoever he may find. I have read every word of your story, but it will not do," said Mr. Brown firmly as he looked at his wife.

"Why will it not do?"

"Well, in the first place, you don't know anything about a burglar. We have never been rich enough to persuade a thief that it was worth his while to visit us. And that last chapter, where you have the burglar 'start at the sound of approaching footsteps,' and, leaving his bag of silver and his dark lantern, rush headlong from the house, that, my dear, that's absurd! He wouldn't leave the silver nor rush out; you should change that. Have him slink behind a door, draw his pistol and take sure aim. See?"

"I don't care if I haven't seen a burglar. I know just what they are like. Haven't I been alone in this house night after night when I could imagine they were all over the place? I have experienced every sensation that any one could with burglars, therefore I write from experience," retorted Mrs. Brown, picking up the package of neatly written pages and laying it on her desk.

"You'll not be more frightened than usual, then, if I'm not at home before morning?" said Mr. Brown, looking at his watch.

Mr. Brown was the editor of a morning paper, and his wife was accustomed to being left alone. They lived in one of the pleasant suburbs near Boston, a safe and quiet location, where neighbors were near at hand and where a policeman walked by the house at certain hours of the night.

"I must go now; it's after 8. Look well after a burglar; just think of the 'local color' you could put in your story if a burglar really would come in during my absence."

Mrs. Brown received these remarks in scornful silence; and after her husband's departure took up her manuscript and read the story carefully.

"The trouble is that Tom doesn't know a story when he sees it. Unless anything is a regular newspaper article he doesn't see the value. Now a judge, a man of subtle mind—a burglar, for instance, would see the fine points, the realistic power of this story in a moment."

Mrs. Brown almost regretted the limits of her surroundings, which prevented her from requesting the opinion of some burglar of literary perceptions.

The clock struck 1—a sharp, sudden stroke that woke Mrs Brown instantly. She was wide awake in a moment, with every sense alert. A little breeze came in through an open window, and she noticed the heavy fragrance of the lilacs.

With wide open eyes she waited, for she felt she was in some immediate danger—that to move, to make the least sound, would be to hasten her late. She forgot that a neighbor could be easily called, that her doors were securely fastened. She was only conscious of a benumbing fear.

She could distinctly hear footsteps in the lower part of the house. She heard a chair moved in the library, then came a silence, and Mrs. Brown gained a little courage and realized that something must be done. There was a service of silver that could not be easily replaced, and there was another danger—they might set the house on fire. For her to simply listen and wait for them to work their will was madness.

She crept out of bed and slipped on a loose gown. Then her fear almost overcame her. "If I live until morning we will move," she whispered between her chilled lips; but she opened her door and went tremblingly down the stairs.

The library door was ajar, and a dim light shone through the space, but there was no sound to be heard. For a moment Mrs. Brown listened. Then came the faint rustle of paper, and, leaning over the railing, she peered into the room.

She could see her desk plainly. Before it sat a man. In his hands was the manuscript she had left upon her desk two hours before.

As Mrs. Brown watched him the tense lines in her face relaxed; her eyes were fixed upon him, and as he read on and on a faint smile hovered about her lips. For an instant she resolved to sacrifice her silver; but no! She carefully retraced her steps, gained her own room, and in a moment the quiet street was awakened by the sound of her cries: "Police! Help! Help!" At the same instant there was the noise of an overturned chair, the rush of steps and the slam of an outer door.

When Mrs. Brown came down the stairs to let in the people who had promptly come to her assistance, she found the library door wide open. On the table was an overturned dark lantern, and beside it a bag containing the silver. Scattered about the desk and floor were the sheets of manuscript.

Mrs. Brown looked about her carefully. "We must not touch a thing in this room until Mr. Brown returns," she said with a faint note of triumph in her voice.—*Galveston News.*

THE SCHOOL LET OUT.

The *Cincinnati Enquirer* resurrects the following yarn relative to a school teacher, who said: "Now, boys, I have a few questions in fractions. Suppose I had a piece of beefsteak and cut it into two pieces, what would those two pieces be called?"

"Halves!" shouted the class.

"Correct. And if I cut each half into two pieces?"

"Quarters!"

"That's right. And if the quarters are each cut in half?"

"Eighths!"

"Quite so. And if these were chopped in two?"

"Sixteenths!"

"Very good. And when the sixteenths were cut, what would those pieces be called?"

"Thirty-seconds!"

"Just right. And now we will chop those in half. What have we now?"

"Mince," said a small boy—and the school was dismissed for the day.

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 20, 1898.

It Is a pity that the wide tire bill, passed by the Senate, does not take effect until 1905. What's the use of waiting six or seven years before we begin to improve our roads?

It is announced from Venezuela that the prevailing sentiment in that country is with the Spaniards. The next time Venezuela wants a boundary dispute with England settled she'd better apply to Spain to take her part.

Senor Polo, who was the Spanish representative in this country at the beginning of the war, promptly withdrew to Toronto, and has been keeping his government informed of matters in the United States from there. The Toronto *Globe* has realized that this is decidedly unusual, and called attention to the matter editorially. He ought to be given an invitation to go home, in view of Canada's neutrality.

One of the greatest men of the world, the "grand old man" of England, William Evart Gladstone, died Wednesday. Gladstone was a man of magnificent intellect, extraordinary personal endowment, a great orator and debator, also a scholar, theologian and man of letters. He entered Parliament in January, 1833, and made his last speech in that body in March, 1894. He was always the friend of the poor people, and espoused the self government of Ireland with his whole heart, and many of the privileges the people of that island now enjoy are due to his efforts. His death is mourned by the whole world.

It takes Uncle Sam a good while to get worked up to fighting pitch, but that once reached there is no hesitation or back down; its a fight to a finish, and a pull all together. The attitude of the government and the people in the present war is undoubtedly a surprise to a number of the other nations of the globe. England evidently appreciates our stand, for in a speech at Birmingham last Friday evening Joseph Chamberlain, secretary of state for the British colonies, suggested that "the time has arrived when Great Britian may be confronted by a combination of powers, and our first duty, therefore, is to draw all parts of the empire into close unity, and our next to maintain the bonds of permanent unity with our kinsmen across the Atlantic."

The assessors are having a lot of trouble over the valuation of bicycles, and the amount they shall be taxed. A wheel which might have been valued fairly at $75 a year ago can hardly be put in at more than $25 this year, on account of the fall in the prices of new wheels and the fact that it would be second-hand. There is a natural tendency on the part of the owner of the wheel to keep the assessed price down as low as possible, and there the assessor's trouble comes in. First-class wheels can be bought new for from $25 to $125, while $15 and even $10 will procure a pretty good second-hand machine of last year. How would it do for the assesors of Palmer to rate each bicycle at $25? That would about strike an average, and still not be shouldering a very heavy load on anyone; at a $20 tax rate each wheel would pay 50 cents, which all riders ought to be willing to stand—provided some sort of attention is paid to their needs in the repairing of the roads.

To those who are kicking on the condition of Main street in the depot village consequent upon the laying of the electric road tracks, we would offer the same advice given the young man about to be married—don't. Superintendent of Streets Dillon has an idea or two about that street, and promises to have it in better condition than ever, when he is through with it. In the past each successive highway surveyor has had a different idea of how Main street should be treated, and while all may have been good, no two have been alike, and there has never been a given grade to work to. Nothing can be done at present, as the street must soon be torn up for the laying of a big sewer, but that over with Mr. Dillon proposes to plow up the street so as to get at the good soil underneath, have the town engineer establish a grade for the street and grade to it, then put the steam roller on and see if Main street cannot be put in better condition than ever before. This is the right idea, if we are not to have the street macadamized, and should be productive of good results. By the way, it wouldn't be such a very expensive job to macadamize Main street through the business section, say from Thorndike to Church streets, now that the town is running a stone crusher of its own.

WAR NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The offensive plans of our government were completely changed the latter part of last week by the receipt of news from Admiral Sampson of his attack on the forts at San Juan and the news of the presence of the Spanish flying squadron off Martinique, only about 500 miles from Porto Rico and 1000 miles from Havana. The army invasion of Cuba was thereby delayed and Commodore Schley was at once dispatched south with his fleet, which has been at anchor in Hampton Roads. Admiral Sampson was notified of the presence of the Spanish war vessels and is supposed to be in pursuit. Later dispatches state that the Spanish fleet has been sighted off the island of Curacoa, one of the Dutch West Indies, lying off the north coast of Venezuela.

A report of Sampson's bombardment of the San Juan, Porto Rico, forts last Friday, has been received. The forts were demolished and it is thought the enemy's loss was heavy. Our force lost two men killed and seven wounded.

The cables at Cienfuegos were cut on Wednesday of last week by several boatloads of sailors from the Marblehead, Nashville and Windom. They were forced to accomplish the work under a heavy fire from the shore. One marine was killed and six sailors wounded. The warships fired several hundred shells into the midst of the Spanish forces on shore, and it is thought the loss was heavy.

Dewey sent another brief dispatch which was received at Washington Sunday, in which he states that he can take Manila at any time and that he is maintaining a strict blockade. He also states that he has captured the Spanish gunboat Calloa, which attempted to run the blockade.

The United States auxillary cruiser Harvard is at Fort de France, undergoing repairs. The Spanish torpedo boat Terror is also reported there. It is stated that she is also in need of repairs, her boiler tubes and propeller being disabled. It is possible that she is waiting for the Harvard when the latter sails.

Secretary Long stated Wednesday that the battleship Oregon, concerning whose safety many apprehensions were felt, had successfully completed her long trip from San Francisco. The secretary would not state whether or not she had joined Admiral Sampson's squadron, but in all probability she has done so.

A Gibraltar dispatch says that a Spanish fleet of 12 vessels and 11,000 men is at Cadiz, ready to sail, presumably for the Philippine islands.

The cruiser Charleston left Wednesday morning for Manila, carrying a large quantity of supplies and ammunition for Admiral Dewey. Owing to an accident to her condensers she was compelled to return to port, but will be able to start again in two days.

Dispatches state that the Spanish flying squadron has arrived at Santiago de Cuba. No official news of the three fleets has been received by the department at Washington, which are believed to be in the Gulf of Mexico and the waters of the West Indies.

An attempt was made to blow up the magazine at Camp Dewey, South Framingham, Thursday. A man approached in the darkness, was challenged by the sentinel, but before the latter could use his gun he was thrown to the ground. A struggle ensued and as help was coming the man made his escape. He made a second attempt and was chased by the guards, but was not captured. Extra sentinels are now on guard at the magazine, with loaded rifles and orders to shoot.

Late reports of the recent bombardment at Cienfugeous state that the Spaniards lost 300 men and had several hundred wounded.

PALMER NEWS.

TWO RAILROAD CASUALTIES.

One Man Killed and Another Badly Hurt on the B. and A.

A man walking on the tracks of the Boston and Albany railroad toward this village was struck and instantly killed by a west bound freight train near Blanchardville about 9 o'clock Wednesday evening. The man was noticed by the fireman just as the engine struck him, and the train was brought to a stop as quickly as possible, but not until the engine and 18 cars had passed over his body. The body was brought to the station, where it was viewed by Medical Examiner Holbrook. His skull was badly fractured, his neck broken and his right leg taken off near the ankle. In his pocket was found a letter of recommendation from the Freehold *Transcript*, Freehold, N. J., stating that the bearer, William S. Craighead, had been in their employ and was a good workman. He was apparently about 25 years of age, light complexion and medium height, and was smooth shaven. The body was brought to Loomis's undertaking rooms to await advices from his friends. Overseer of the Poor William Merriam telegraphed to the Freehold *Transcript* concerning the accident, and this morning received a letter stating that Craighead's home was in Riggiesville, N. J., and that they had notified his folks of his death. They further stated that Craighead was an excellent workman, but was of a roving disposition and had left their employ April 30th. Yesterday Mr. Merriam received a telegram from William Craighead, presumably the father of the dead man, asking that the body be embalmed and sent to Riggiesville. This was done and the body was sent last evening.

Another accident occurred yesterday morning near West Brimfield. John W. Knott, a sailor on his way from New York to Boston, was walking on the tracks, and as he attempted to jump an east-bound freight was struck by an express train going in the opposite direction. The train was stopped and Knott was picked up senseless, but seen revived. He was brought to this station, where it was found that his left arm was broken and his shoulder bruised. The arm was set by a physician and he was later removed to the hospital in Springfield.

HIGH SCHOOL BOY IN THE WAR.

Michael Lyons of Thorndike is a Member of Co. K, 2d Regiment.

Palmer people, and especially those of Thorndike and members of the high school graduating class of '93, will be particularly interested in their representative in the fight for Cuba libre, Michael Lyons of Thorndike, whose picture is given this week. He attained his majority only a few weeks ago, having become 21 on the 15th of January, but those who know him are sure he will give a good account of himself. He is a member of Co. K, 2d regiment, the first company of the militia to be mustered into the United States service, and has attained the rank of corporal. After his graduation in '93 young Lyons went to Springfield and entered the employ of the Springfield Foundry Co. as a machinist, remaining there four years and going last spring to another place in Brightwood. He joined the militia in the fall of '96, and at once became a favorite with both officers and men by reason of his quiet manners and gentlemanly bearing. He has had all the favors shown any of the men, both at home and in camp, and none have other than words of praise for him. The square buttons on his collar are badges of marksmanship, he being in the second rank, an unusual acquisition for one so young. The young man's parents have been dead a number of years, and he has made his own way in the world since leaving school. He has two brothers in Springfield, one in Northampton and one in Thorndike.

ELECTRIC ROAD MATTERS.

It is Expected to be Ready for Business Memorial Day.

The men in charge of the construction of the electric road have done considerable hustling the past week, and the track is now laid as far as the town house at Four Corners, which will insure its completion to Three Rivers early next week, provided the weather remains favorable, and make a portion of the road available for use on Memorial Day provided the power is ready at that time. The cars have been ordered shipped, and also the power generators, which are provided by the railroad company. The Flynt Building and Construction Company, which is rebuilding the burned plant of the Central Mass. Electric Co., from which the power is to be obtained, announces that as far as it is concerned the plant will be so that it can be used, though not completed. The engine has arrived, and will be set in place next week. Work on the car barn is progressing rapidly, the frame being up, and the track to it will be laid soon. Some comment is made regarding the condition of the roads through which the tracks have been laid, but it should be borne in mind that the tracks are not finished yet; they are still to be straightened and have the finishing touches of grading put on, which will be done as fast as possible.

Masons Meet.

The lodges of the 17th Masonic district convened in Masonic Hall Tuesday and exemplified the work and lectures of the ritual under the direction of Chauncey E. Peck of Wilbrabam, grand lecturer. Delegations were present from all of the lodges in the district, and each lodge performed a section or a complete degree. The following were in charge of the work done by these lodges: Eden lodge, Ware, H. M. Coney, W. M.; Bethel lodge, Enfield, Henry Bittner, W. M.; Quaboag lodge, Warren, F. W. Kinuball, S. W., Day Spring lodge, Monson, A. H. Shaw, W. M.; Mt. Zion lodge, Barre, Sumner Stockwell, W. M.; Vernon lodge, Belchertown, W. E. Bridgman; Thomas lodge, Palmer, D. L. Bodfish, W. M. Past District Deputy W. S. Clark of Granby and District Deputy Rollin C. Clark of Westfield were present. The work commenced at 11 a. m. and lasted until 1 o'clock, when adjournment was made for dinner, which was served at the Converse House. In the afternoon the work was resumed, lunch being served in the lodge room at 6 o'clock. During the adjournment for dinner the attending Masons were photographed by Woodhead.

Might Have Killed Someone.

Some fiend in human shape was abroad on the road to Thorndike a few nights ago. A bicyclist coming from Thorndike found, a little distance south of the Crowley place, one of the sleepers for the electric road directly across the path on the side of the macadam used by the wheelmen. The sleeper had been taken from a pile some distance away and placed on the path around a curve, so that a wheelman coming from Thorndike at a rapid speed would hardly be able to avoid a wreck, especially as it was about 8 in the evening when it was found. As the place selected for the obstruction was on a down-grade where the wheelmen get under pretty good headway, it is a wonder that someone was not killed before the sleeper was found and removed.

Who Will Run the Cars.

The motormen and conductors for the electric road have been appointed, and are receiving instructions in their duties on the line of the Warren and Spencer road. They are nearly all Palmer men, and are: Conductors, D. W. Dillon, D. J. Mahoney, G. H. Miller, H. R. Paine, J. H. Smith, N. Whitou; motormen, E. Carey, Carl Johnson, S. D. Lyon, E. A. Maxwell, Frank J. Roche, H. Tolman. The chief motorman will be John H. Hayes, who will come here from Bristol, Ct., and the night man in charge of the car house will be Herbert Crofton of Palmer.

UNIVERSITY EDUCATION.

Center of the University Association to be Established in Palmer.

Attention is called to the aims, objects and plans of the University Association and World's Congress Extension, a branch of which is being established in Palmer by Bentley L. Rice, the association's representative. The University Association is not connected with any one university, but is rather a federation of the teaching powers of the principal universities and colleges throughout the world. Incorporated with the association is the famous World's Congress Extension, an international organization, perfected to continue the benefits derived from the World's Congresses held during the World's Columbian Exposition, Chicago. All of the addresses or papers read at those congresses bearing on the subjects presented in the course of study as arranged by the University Association, will be edited and given to the members. All of the living members of those congresses throughout the world will also, from time to time, contribute articles on present topics. Notes on modern discoveries will also be an important feature of the course. The work of the University Association deserves the earnest attention and support of thoughtful people. As education is not

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finished when we leave school, college, or university, such a means of continuous systematic and suggestive self-culture as that provided by this association will be very helpful to all those who are anxious enough to pursue systematic study in the field of history, science, literature, economics, or art. Many of the prominent educators connected with the principal universities and colleges of the world are connected with this association, among them being Rt. Rev. Samuel Fallows, D. D., LL. D.; Mrs. Ellen M. Henrotin; Mrs. Elizabeth A. Reed, A. M.; Hon. Washington Gardner, A. M.; Rev. F. W. Gunsaulus, D. D.; Rev. L. P. Mercer; Prof. George Ebers, M. A., LL. D., Germany; Prof. W. Max Muller, A. M., Ph. D., Prof. James Legge, M. A., LL. D., Oxford University, England; Sir Monier M. Williams, LL. D., professor of Sanscrit, Oxford University, England.

The instruction can be had at home, or those who become members can meet together in class once a week for a review of the work done. Each class will have its own corps of officers, including a local instructor. It is possible for anyone who is ambitious to acquire knowledge to become a member, the expense being purely nominal. Names of those who have joined the center in Palmer: A. C. Thompson, Rev. C. R. Minard, Rev. O. G. Petrie, Mrs. Rufus Flynt, Miss Bessie Royce.

CAMP MEETING AT FOREST LAKE.

The Salvation Army to Hold Forth There the First 10 Days in July.

Arrangements were completed yesterday between the owners of the Forest Lake property and the Salvation Army by which the latter will hold a monster camp meeting at the Lake the first 10 days in July. The full plans have not yet been determined upon, but include the bringing to the lake of prominent Salvation Army speakers from all parts of the country. The directors of the electric road held a meeting yesterday and decided to build the branch from Thorndike to the lake as soon as possible, and hope to have it ready for July 1st. The road will be running to Thorndike by that time, and if it is not completed to the lake conveyance will be provided from the nearest point of the road to the grounds. Mr. C. A. Royce, who has had charge of the grounds at the lake for a number of years, will manage them for the present owners this season.

Palmer 31—Brimfield 6.

It was practically a "Manila" victory which the Palmer high school baseball team scored over the Hitchcock Free Academy team on the Church grounds in Thorndike last Saturday afternoon. Like Dewey in his famous battle off the Philippines, the local high school ball tossers had everything their own way, running up a very high score, hitting the ball hard and often. Kennedy, the little rapid-fire twirler, was indisposed and did not pitch, going to left, and "Bill" Riley did the pitching in a creditable manner. He struck out eight men and gave but two their base on balls. But seven Brimfieldites connected safely with the sphere, Guest doing the best hitting for his side. Riley, Shaw, Fay, Murphy, McKenzie and Kennedy hit well for Palmer. The score:

	P. H. S.	r	b	po	a	e	H. F. A.	r	b	po	a	e
Riley, p,		3	2	0	4	0	Daniels, m,	1	1	0	0	1
Shaw, c,		5	3	11	1	0	Kay, r,	0	1	1	0	0
Fay, 2,		5	4	1	2	2	Deziel, 3,	1	1	2	2	1
Murphy, 3,		2	3	2	3	1	Dumas, 1,	0	0	7	1	2
Dillon, l,		2	1	1	0	1	F. C'verse, c,	1	1	7	1	1
Barrett, s,		4	2	0	3	1	A. C'verse, p,	0	0	1	0	1
Hurley, r,		2	0	1	0	1	Maloney, s,	2	0	0	2	2
McKenzie, m,		4	3	0	0	1	Hicks, l,	1	0	2	0	1
Kennedy, l,		4	3	1	0	0	Guest, 2,	0	2	3	0	2
							Pierce, p,	0	1	0	2	0
Total,		31	21	27	13	7	Total,	6	7	23	8	12

P. H. S.	8	4	10	1	1	0	3	4	—31
H. F. A.	0	0	0	1	2	2	1	0	0—6

Times at bat, P. H. S., 55, H. F. A., 40. Stolen bases, Riley, Shaw 4, Fay 2, F. Converse, Kennedy, Deziel. Two-base hits, Riley, Shaw, Murphy, McKenzie. Three-base hit, Kennedy. Home-run, Riley. Struck out, Murphy, Dillon 2, Riley, Kay 2, Deziel, Dumas, F. Converse A. Converse, Hicks, Guest. Base on balls, Shaw, Dillon, Barrett, Hurley, Dumas, Hicks. Batter hit, Kennedy, Shaw. Umpires, McKelligott, Brown. Time, 2 hrs. 10 m.

*Fay out, hit by batted ball.

The District Court Judgeship.

No appointment has been made as yet to the vacant judgeship of the district court of Eastern Hampden. It was thought that the appointment would be made early this week, but as this was not done it is unlikely that the successor to Judge Robinson will now be named before next week. There is a strong desire locally that the appointee should be a lawyer, and a pretty definite feeling that such will be the case. There is also a pretty general feeling that the appointee should be a resident of Palmer. There are several lawyers in the town who could be induced to take the position, and it is understood that a potition has been circulated in behalf of at least one, H. C. Strong. Others in the profession are Senator Leach, Representative Kenefick, Clerk of Courts Fitch, and R. F. Twiss. Probably one willing to serve could be found among this number. Besides Mr. Gardner of Springfield, it is said that Frank S. Rice of the same city would like the place, as would also Judge Copeland.

James Dewey, who left for the Klondike last fall, has returned to Palmer.

The new drawing teacher for the schools is Miss Gertrude M. Robinson of Allston.

W. S. French is in Peterboro, N. H., attending the funeral of a relative.

Miss Margaret Murphy spent Sunday with friends in Monson.

Mrs. C. K. Gamwell is visiting friends in Boston and vicinity.

Mrs. H. S. Hobson spent Sunday with friends in West Brookfield.

J. B. Shaw was in Boston several days this week.

Senator Leach presided over the session of the Senate Wednesday afternoon.

Miss L. M. Donovan of Nashua, N. H., is visiting Miss B. T. Donohue of Park street.

Mrs. Mary S. Foster spent the first of the week with friends in Warren.

Mrs. W. D. Johnson of Fitchburg is visiting Mrs. C. D. Foster.

Mrs. S. Shumway, a former resident, is visiting friends in town.

The railroad bridge over Commercial street has been painted white.

C. C. Learned has moved from the Feeney block to the Lawrence block.

There will be a special meeting of L. L. Merrick post, G. A. R., in Memorial Hall next Wednesday evening.

The W. T. C. U. drinking fountain fund has been augmented by $5, the gift of L. H. Gager.

Miss Abbie Wallace of Springfield, a former teacher in the public schools, was the guest of Mrs. E. H. Truesdell Sunday.

Mrs. H. F. Moulton of Biddeford, Me., is visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. A. M. Smith, on Thorndike street.

The ladies of the Baptist church served a strawberry supper in the church vestry Wednesday evening.

Jas. W. Goodrich's one-ring wagon show will exhibit on the Converse lot to-morrow afternoon.

The fire hydrants were flushed out Tuesday by Supt. Gamwell of the Palmer Water Company.

Rev. O. G. Petrie attended a meeting of the executive board of the National Y. P. C. U. in Boston Monday.

Good Cheer Rebekah lodge realized $115 from its bazar held in the opera house April 26th.

Yesterday was Ascension Day and was observed at St. Thomas' Catholic church by mass at 5:30 and 7:30 o'clock.

Druggist C. A. LeGro was one of three who appraised the drug store of the late G. H. Stratton in Monson Wednesday.

One recruit was mustered in at the meeting of C. W. Cross camp, Sons of Veterans, Tuesday evening.

Mrs. John Gaffney has bought the Weeks property on Fox avenue, and offers two tenements in the same for rent.

At the Baptist church next Sunday morning there will be preaching by Rev. C. R. Minard. Subject, "Carnal Christianity."

Ernest Bush of Three Rivers was before the court this morning charged with assault upon Jacob Wilson, a Jew peddler. Bush pleaded guilty and paid a fine of $3.

W. H. Small, formerly superintendent of schools and principal of the high school, has been engaged to give the address to the graduating class of the high school.

The new epileptic hospital was announced open for patients on the 2d of this month, and the first one arrived on Monday of this week.

A banquet will be given the Once-a-Week Club by one of the members at the Converse House to-morrow evening. Several invited guests will be present.

The Anglomaniacs will meet in the reference room of the library building next Monday evening, and will read the first part of King Henry VI.

Elder H. L. Ross of Springfield will preach in the Advent chapel next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. His subject will be "Honesty in the Christian profession."

Bids for the advertising privilege in the cars of the Palmer and Monson Street Railway Company were open Monday evening. B. M. Woodbead was the successful bidder.

Letters addressed to the following are advertised at the post office: M. H. Brown, Miss Lizzie R. Colpitts, Miss Sadie Darling.

Alfred Smith was thrown from his wheel Saturday evening, his head striking a stone post. Two bad gashes were inflicted, and Dr. J. P. Schneider closed the wound with eight stitches.

The season at the hat shop closed last Saturday night, unless more orders arrive soon, of which there is a possibility, as one good-sized one came in Monday. If more arrive the shop will be started up again.

Wednesday evening the ladies of the Universalist church will give their annual strawberry festival, when the delicious berries will be served in various appetizing forms.

A handsome work of penmanship, executed by Robert Stebbins, is on exhibition in the window of O. P. Allen's drug store. Mr. Stebbins is a student at Hinman's Business College, Worcester.

Rev. R. B. Matthews of New Castle, Me., preached Sunday morning and evening in the Congregational church. Next Sunday morning the pulpit will be occupied by Rev. E. A. Paddock of Weiser Academy, Idaho.

The Young Men's Bible class of the Baptist church and their friends are to take a bicycle run to Monson on the afternoon of Memorial Day. The start will be make at 5:30.

The season at Forest Lake Gardens will be opened Memorial Day. There will be dancing in the pavilion afternoon and evening, music to be furnished by Clark & Dean's orchestra. C. H. Martin will prompt and F. O. Royce will have charge of the floor.

The Palmer high school baseball team played the Ware bigh school team in that village this afternoon. Arrangements are being made for a game between the local high school team and a nine composed of local clerks, to be played in the near future.

A peddler of lead pencils was bitten by a dog in the Nassowanno House barroom Wednesday afternoon, and was cared for by Dr. Hendee, who found the man's injuries slight. The man had lost both legs below the knee, and was bitten in one of the stumps.

The offices of the Palmer and Monson Street Railway Company have been moved this week from Eager's block to the rooms in the Holden block recently vacated by G. H. Hayes, broker. Miss Hattie Paine has a position in the office of the company as stenographer and clerk.

Ralph Young of Thorndike was before the district court Saturday morning charged with drunkenness. Young is but 19 years of age, and told the probation officer that he secured his liquor from one of the licensed saloons in the town, buying and paying for it himself. He was placed on probation for 30 days.

The topic for the sermon at the Universalist church next Sunday morning will be "The certainty of just retribution for sin," this is one of the series of sermons upon "The principles of Universalism" being given by the pastor. In the evening at 7 o'clock will be the regular meeting of the Y. P. C. U. The subject will be "The Sabbath for man."

The 8th Massachusotts regiment passed through Palmer Tuesday evening. The first section came through about 7:30 o'clock and several hundred people were at the depot to see the soldiers. About ten o'clock two more sections passed through. Wednesday evening the first New Hampshire regiment passed through on their way to Chickamauga.

Adjutant C. M. Fryar of the Salvation Army gave an illustrated lecture in the Congregational church Wednesday evening. The proceeds of the lecture go towards buying a tent for the summer campaign of the New England Guards Band. The band was present at the lecture, and gave concerts in the afternoon and evening.

The recital given by the pupils of Miss Annie Fish in the chapel of the Universalist church Tuesday evening was very largely attended. The programme was an interesting one, and was exceptionally well rendered. The trios by Miss Fish, Miss Parmenter and Dr. Bryant were very pleasing, as were the solos by Misses Mildred Brown, Ethel Caryl, Pearl Fish, Blanche LeGro and Ella Webster.

The employes of the mills of the Wright & Colton Wire Cloth Company at Palmer and Worcester purchased this week large flags which have been flung to the breeze on flag poles erected by the company. A 35-foot pole has been placed on the top of the mill at Palmer, and a flag 11 by 20 feet floats proudly at his top. At Worcester a 50-foot pole has been raised, which bears a flag 15 by 25 feet.

William M. Roche of Springfield, son of Thomas Roche of Palmer, has been appointed stenographer and typewriter in the engineer department of the war bureau at Boston. This is a very important position and commands a salary of $1200 a year. Mr. Roche is graduate of the Palmer high school, class of '92, and of Child's Business College, Springfield, and has many friends in Palmer who will be glad to learn of his success.

The following business of local interest was transacted at a session of the probate court in Springfield Wednesday: Administration granted in the estate of Julia M. Pease, late of Monson, Calvin S. Pease of Monson, administrator. Wills approved of—Margaret Schneider, late of Westfield, J. P. Schneider of Palmer executor; Martha B. Kendall, late of Ludlow, Luther White and Clarence B. White of Chicopee executors.

The case of Officer Eugene S. Howlett for keeping an unlicensed dog was heard before the district court Saturday morning. Town Clerk Gage of Monson testified that on the 9th of May Howlett had a dog licensed and previous to that time and since the first of the month, he had seen the dog with Howlett and presumed that it was under his custody. Representative Kenefick appeared for Howlett and put in no defense. Howlett was found guilty and the case was continued two weeks for sentence. It is probable that the case will be carried to the superior court.

The murder case of Dominique Krathofski, which is of interest to Palmer people because Representative T. W. Kenefick is senior counsel for the defense, were argued before the full bench of the supreme court at Boston Monday. Krathofski was convicted of murder in the first degree last January, and exceptions were taken on the ground that the indictment was invalid on account of irregularities in the drawing of the grand jury. At the hearing in Boston Lawyer Kenefick and Lawyer J. T. Moriarty of Springfield appeared for the defense, and District Attorney Garduer for the commonwealth. The court reserved its decision.

The Pine Streets and the Fremont Stars played an exciting and interesting game of baseball on Milligan's lot, Pine street, Saturday afternoon. It has not yet been settled which side won, though both claim the victory. Unfortunately a "scrap" broke up the game and the Fremont Stars ran off with the score book, and the Pine Streets say there is no knowing how many runs have been made by the Stars since the game. Another game for the championship will probably be played in the near future. Several games have been played by these rival teams, but they are never finished, as a "kick" seems bound to arise. The managers are considering the advisability of making their players sign the Brush resolutions, with the hope that at least one game can be played to the end.

The Eastern Hampden Athletic Club will hold a field day on the driving park Memorial day. A number of interesting athletic events have been arranged, and a large number of entries from fast men have been received. There is to be a 300-yards hose team race and entries have been received from teams in Chicopee Falls, Northampton, North Adams, Turners Falls, Spencer, Ware, Westfield, Bellows Falls, Vt., Hinsdale, N. H., and Bristol, Ct. There will be a 135-yards foot race, handicap, and a 100-yards scratch race. Dan Murphy, the champion middleweight of Connecticut, has been secured to give a bag punching exhibition. A one mile special match bicycle race has been arranged between W. J. Knowlton of Palmer and F. W. Ruggles of Ware. Prof. LaNortown, a famous slack wire performer and juggler, has been engaged to give an exhibition. The Columbian band of Thorndike will furnish music.

THORNDIKE.

While they last, 1897 Keatings at $35 and $38 at Tufts' bicycle store.

A calico ball will be held this evening at Union Hall.

John Clifford of Millbury is visiting his son, T. J. Clifford, of the Clinton House.

Rev. John Leary of Ware was celebrant at the services on Sunday last at St. Mary's church.

Mrs. Thomas J. Moran, Jr., and daughter Helen are visiting relatives in North Wilbrabam.

The Salvation Army came from Bondsville on Wednesday and is holding meetings in the Congregational church every evening.

Patrick McKelligott has organized a base ball team and will manage the same. The club will probably play its first game Saturday.

Salvail's museum gave two performances here in a tent which was pitched on the lot in the rear of the B. and A. depot on Monday and Tuesday evenings.

George Plant and Miss Georgeana Fortier, both well known young people of this place, were united in marriage on Tuesday at St. Anne's church by Rev. Father Marchand. Miss Fortier, a sister to the bride, was bridesmaid, and Joseph, brother of the groom, was best man. The bride was handsomely gowned in pale blue satin, while the bridesmaid wore pale blue cashmere with satin trimmings. After the ceremony a breakfast was held at the home of the groom. The evening was spent at the bride's home, where a large party was present and partook of a bountiful supper. Dancing and singing was enjoyed until a late hour. The married couple have been spending their honeymoon in Fitchburg and Winchendon, and upon their return on Saturday evening a reception will be tendered by their friends.

THREE RIVERS.

R. C. Newell has a new driving horse.

There is an epidemic of pink-eye about the village.

Goodrich's one-ring circus is to be in this village on Monday.

Henry Ferrell has a new Keating bicycle; John Lane has a new White.

Mrs. D. S. Gray and daughter Edith visited in Greenwich this week.

James Chapman has moved his family from West Warren to this place.

George Bengle has moved into the tenement formerly occupied by John Conroy.

There has been a free show for four nights this week upon the lot opposite Daniel Lane's.

Rev. E. A. Paddock of Idabo will talk on Home Missions in the Union church next Sunday.

Mrs. H. S. Powell has gone to Richmond, Me., to visit her grandson, Rev. E. H. Newcomb.

There will be preaching in the Baptist church next Sunday by E. A. Thomas at 10.45 a. m. and 7 p. m.

William Herron has resigned his position as clerk with Shaw Bros., and will go into partnership with Lewis Warriner.

The "Biggest Ten-Cent Show on Earth" will "honor" this place by its presence tonight and to-morrow nights. It is to consist of gymnastic feats, Punch and Judy show, etc.

Mrs. Elizabeth Klug died on Monday morning after a short illness. She leaves a husband and seven children, three sons and four daughters. The funeral was held from St. Anne's church on Wednesday.

Rev. Joseph Marcband, pastor of the French Catholic church, is driving a new horse, which, with a carriage and all the fixings, was presented him by his parishioners on his return from Europe, together with a purse of $300.

Adjutant C. M. Fryar of the Salvation Army, with fifty-five stereopticon views, will lecture in the Baptist church this evening on "Darkest America," as seen by a Salvationist. The money raised will go towards buying a tent for the New England Guards Band's summer campaign.

BONDSVILLE.

1897 Keatings, at $35 and $38 while they last, at Tufts' bicycle store.

The W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. Sharratt yesterday to organize anew.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Gardner have a new tandem bicycle, a Columbia.

Mrs. Nathaniel Knowlton of Wilbraham is visiting her son, A. P. Knowlton.

Mrs. J. C. Green is spending a couple of weeks with relatives in Nashua, N. H.

The rails for the electric railroad are being distributed at this end of the line this week.

Mrs. H. A. Holland of Springfield is visiting Mrs. E. E. Ryther on Spring street.

Misses Grace and Maud Towne of Ware were guests of Mrs. W. H. Colburn over Sunday.

Mrs. John J. O'Connor of Springfield has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Lauders.

Mrs. John J O'Donnell of Springfield has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Cavan.

A museum and side show gave an exhibition near the B. and A. depot Wednesday and Thursday evenings.

Miss Maggie Carmody is clerking in C. L. Holden and Sons' store during the absence of Miss Cushman.

J. B. Driscoll of Springfield was the guest of Miss Joe Dunleavy Sunday. Mr. Driscoll will start for Florida June 5th.

Miss Agnes Carmody of Springfield has been spending several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Carmody.

A barn on the farm of Michael Shea was destroyed by fire Sunday morning. The loss was not very heavy, and the cause of the fire was unknown.

A party of young ladies from Ware, consisting of Misses Grace Fulton, Grace Ballard, Alpha Coney and Mabel Fairbanks, were guests of Mrs. H. C. Morgan over Sunday.

L. R. Holden and family and Miss Cushman are enjoying a vacation at Bernardston, with Mrs. Holden's parents. Reports of some large strings of trout are expected when Lewis returns.

Otis W. Sedgwick, who is attending Brown University, pitched against Yale in last Saturday's ball game. He played a fine game and puzzled the Yale batters, who only succeeded in getting two runs while Brown made 17.

It is not probable that there will be much baseball in Bondsville this year, although there is material in the village for a good team if well organized and trained. Charles Connor and Richard Donovan are playing with the Ware team.

Work was commenced on the new sidewalk yesterday morning, starting on Main street at the corner of Spring street. It is to be hoped the work will looked after better than it was last year, as some of the walk built then was as much as a foot too low.

The Salvation Army held its farewell meeting Tuesday night and has gone to Thorndike. The interest in the meetings became very strong toward the end, and it is said that over fifty persons were converted while the Army was here. Staff Captain Walden of Boston was present Sunday and occupied the pulpit in the morning, giving a very interesting talk. The band expects to procure a tent soon, to use during the summer, and will hold a series of meetings at Forest Lake in July.

FOR THOSE WHO USE TOBACCO.

A Package of Chewing Gum Given Away to Tobacco Purchasers.

Some time ago attention was called through these columns to the fact that the largest and most varied assortment of tobacco in town was to be found at the store of J. F. Foley, corner of Main and Walnut streets. It will also be remembered that but a short time ago several advertising agents of the Red Indian Tobacco swooped down upon the village and advertised their goods in a very extensive manner. The windows of the various grocery stores were elaborately decorated and Red Indian was very much in evidence, catching the eye at every turn. This week Mr. Jacobs of the American Tobacco Company arrived, and because Mr. Foley carried the largest stock of tobacco, selected his window for a display of the company's goods. Mr. Jacobs is an artist of ability in his line, and a very pretty window is the result of his efforts. Red, white and blue, the national colors, are tastefully arranged, and in the center is a handsome portrait of Admiral George Dewey, the man who "didn't do a thing" to the Spaniards at Manila a few weeks ago. A pretty effect is produced by the skillful arrangement of the packages of tobacco, whose colors are brilliant and catchy, and the window has been attracting much attention from passersby. In this connection it might be said that Red Indian is giving very good satisfaction to the users of tobacco. For the purpose of advertising it further, every purchaser of a 5-cent package is presented a 5-cent package of chewing gum.

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS.

Boston, May 19th, 1898.

Military operations at the state house have settled down to a routine which is not exciting. Gov. Wolcott has his duties to discharge in giving commissions to the officers of the outgoing regiments. These commissions are printed in script type on a double sheet about the size of foolscap paper, thick and heavy. The form is that of an ordinary civil commission. The document is addressed to the man who is to be commissioned. In an identation on the left, at the top, is the great green seal of the Commonwealth and under it is the signature of the governor. The substance of the document goes on to state the rank which is given, the grade being written in a blank left for the place. The whole is signed by the secretary of state. The filling is usually done in old English letters, but the commissions of the Second regiment had to be done so hastily that they were filled in in a heavy script. The form of the commission is not what it should be, in the judgment of some. Most officers prefer to have their commissions with them all the time. This is bulky and will wear quickly at the folds. I have been shown the certificate given to graduates of the nautical training school, not an eighth as bulky, printed and written on parchment, capable of being folded compactly and carried without much wear. It is believed that this would be more acceptable to the officers than the more pretentious, but more bulky and perishable form which is given out to-day.

Some familiar figures are taken from the state house by the war. The colonel of the Sixth regiment is better known as Senator Woodward of Middlesex. The captain of one of the companies is Mr. Jonbert of Lawrence, of the House. The colored company has at least one representative taken from the sergeant-at-arm's force about the corridors.

The failure of the friends of the children's bureau bill, by the close vote of 97, to carry their motion to recensider its rejection, does not necessarily mean that the case is lost for this year, though that will probably be the end of it, for it is possible for a motion to be made in the Senate to substitute the bill for the adverse report of the committee, just as was made in the House. If the friends of the bill are as strong in the Senate as they were in the House, this would be good policy, for it would show the popular feeling, fostered by careful cultivation, however, and would advertise the matter still further. One of the serious difficulties with that side of the case is that it does not make out charges of impertance against the board of lunacy and charity. If hardship or mismanagement were proved, they would have a much easier task.

The light for the inheritance tax is over. The bill is dead for this year. It made a good showing in the House, for it was substituted for an adverse report of the committee on taxation by a small margin after a hard day's debate. This gave the b

Forbes & Wallace.

Springfield, May, 1898.

Carpet Sale Extraordinary!

Two weeks ago in New York, over 50,000 rolls of carpets, valued at nearly $2,000,000 were sold, at auction, by W. & J. Sloane for the great concern of Alexander Smith & Sons, Carpet Co. These manufacturers, loyal to their work people, had kept their mills running through dull times rather than close down, and had thus accumulated this tremendous stock of new, fresh goods, which they took the quick and sure method of auction to dispose of.

The sale was considered a great success. Buyers from all the large cities in the country were on hand, and thus the goods were quickly scattered throughout the United States.

But, the prices realized were much below regular Market Values.

Of course we attended this sale, being in a splendid condition to take advantage of just such an opportunity, and bought largely of the best things and the biggest bargains.

And thus comes about

This Great Sale of Carpets which is setting all New England a talking.

Prices are below any that such carpets have ever sold for before, or will again for some time, when these are all gone.

Included in this sale are Tapestries, Moquettes, Velvets, Axministers, etc. Also Moquette rugs, purchased at the same time.

Best things will go to the quickest seekers.

Forbes & Wallace,

Main, Vernon and Pynchon Streets,

SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

STONE'S, MAIN ST., PALMER.

HEAD-QUARTERS FOR FLAGS.

SILK FLAGS---
7x10 in., 10c each.
10x15 in., 25c each.

COTTON BUNTING FLAGS, mounted---
20x34 in., 25c each.

PRINTED MUSLIN FLAGS, mounted---
1 to 25c each.

BUNTING FLAGS---
All Wool, Double Warp, U. S. Navy Bunting, Stitched Stars.
Will be in stock soon.
$3 to $8 each.

Will furnish to order any size wanted.

STONE'S

General Store, Palmer.

TOWN OF MONSON.
TOWN WARRANT.
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.—
HAMPDEN ss.

To Eugene S. Howlett, Constable of Monson, in said County. GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Monson, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet in the Memorial Town Hall, on Thursday, the twenty-sixth day of May 1898, at eight o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz.:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

ART. 2. To see if the town will raise and appropriate necessary funds for the interest on the water bonds.

ART. 3. To see if the town will designate places for posting Town Warrants.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof as near the places designated by said town as possible, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting, and by causing an attested copy thereof to be published in one issue of the PALMER JOURNAL before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands at Monson, this seventeenth day of May, A. D. 1898.

O. C. McCRAY, G. H. FOSKIT, H. H. MOULTON, } Selectmen of Monson.

Attested copy:
EUGENE S. HOWLETT, Constable.

In All Our Dental Work We Aim at Superiority.

Hale Method for PAINLESS FILLING.

TEETH EXTRACTED WITHOUT PAIN.

Have the BEST, which by our long experience we are able to give you, and at fair prices for this class of work.

Dr. Wm. L. Roberts,

Court Sq. Theatre Building, Springfield.

Stone's General Store,

Main St., Palmer.

Crockery Dept. See our new

Dinner Sets, 112 pieces, $9

Blue or Brown,

Handsome ware and extra good quality.

Stone's, Main St., Palmer.

The Choicest Fruits,
The Finest Confectionery,
Best Brands Cigars and Tobaccos,

at the FRUIT STORE in the Lawrence Block, Palmer.

MRS. S. L. ROGUE.

WINDOW SHADES—

Plain Opaque, on spring roller, 25c each.
Any size or quality furnished for dwellings, stores, or shops.

Stone's General Store, Main St., Palmer.

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 20, 1898.

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

MONSON.

LOCAL NOTICES.

Miss Hattie Orcutt has the local agency for Wyoming Medicines. If you purchase from her you will get the best that money can buy.

1897 Keatings (while they last) $35 and $38, fitted with double roller chain, at Tufts', Palmer.

Celebrated His 89th Birthday.

Chauncey Walcott celebrated his 89th birthday last Saturday. During the morning Mr. Walcott had his photograph taken for the JOURNAL, and in the afternoon and evening a number of friends called upon him at his home on Pearl street, carrying tokens of their regard. Mr. Walcott was born May 14th, 1809, in East Barnard, Vt., and remained there until he was about 23, when he removed to Windsor Locks, Ct. There he married Harriet S. Rising in 1839, and soon after returned to East Barnard for a time. He then went to Royalston, Vt., taking charge of the Vermont Central railroad station. He was subsequently appointed postmaster, which office he retained a number of years. About 26 years ago he came to Monson. Mr. Walcott comes of sturdy stock. He is the eighth of a family of 10, all of whom lived to be over 60, and he is one of three to pass the age of 80, being now the sole survivor. He has had five children, three of whom are living, Mrs. Nettie Lyman of Royalton, Vt., Mrs. Addie Dennison of St. Louis, Mo., and Mrs Lucy J. Aldrich, wife of J. C. Aldrich, with whom he resides. Mrs. Walcott died in 1886.

A Lively Runaway.

A pair of horses owned by Selectman McCray took a lively run through Main street Wednesday afternoon. They were hitched to a heavy coal wagon near the depot, when one of the horses shook off its bridle. As they started to run Mr. McCray, who was in a car, jumped into the cart to stop them, but was thrown out and his face badly scraped. The horses ran from the depot up Washington street to Main, past the Century Hotel and down Academy hill, in the mean time clearing themselves from a portion of the cart. Several hitching posts were run into, and in front of the post office they smashed into a horse and buggy owned by George C. Flynt. The horse was thrown down, although not badly hurt, but the buggy was smashed. This brought the runaways to a standstill, and they escaped serious injuries.

G. A. R. Memorial Day Plans.

The Grand Army has about completed its arrangements for Memorial Day. The programme will be similar to that of previous years. Invitations have been extended to the Woman's Relief Corps, Sons of Veterans, the Masons, Odd Fellows, Ancient Order of United Workman, and the Hibernians to take part in the exercises. The memorial sermon will be preached Sunday afternoon, May 29th, at 3 o'clock in the Universalist church by Rev. Harry Blackford. The address on Memorial Day will be given by Rev. F. L. Goodspeed of Springfield at one o'clock. The music will consist of a chorus of about forty voices under the direction of Prof J. S. R. Coy.

Would Seem to Need Attention.

A case of depravity is reported from one of the out-districts. Clothing given to a wretched little cripple by the King's Daughters and others has been taken from him to be sold by those under whose care he has been. The child is five years old and a great sufferer, both from disease and ill treatment.

Misses Florence and Mabelle Chaffee, who went to Attleboro a few days ago to work in a jewelry factory, have returned owing to the burning of the factory.

John J. Pendergast and Arthur H. Orcutt spent Sunday in Stafford Hollow.

Miss Esther Gage of Somerville is visiting at C. M. Gage's.

Mrs. M. E. Burt is visiting her brother in Houghton, Mich.

Miss Bertha Clapp of Springfield is visiting Mrs. J. C. Parsons.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Sqnier of Windsor Locks, Ct., are visiting relatives in town.

Miss Ethel Shaw has returned from Athol, where she has been for the past few months.

Henry McNulty has taken a position as night baker with James Crawther in Springfield.

Julius Stewart has taken the contract to build the new coal sheds for Sqnier & McCray.

No. 2 hose company of the Monson fire department held a practice meeting Monday evening.

Edward Cushman of Marion spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Cushman.

Edward Peck has taken a position in the insurance office of Col. S. C. Warriner in Springfield.

Frank E. Walker and family of North Brookfield are spending two weeks at Edson Walker's on East Hill.

Mrs. Lorenzo Hutchinson leaves to-morrow for a few days' visit with her son, Dr A. T. Robinson, at Mansfield.

A number of weddings are soon to take place, in which several Monson people will figure quite prominently.

The Veteran Firemen's Association has received an invitation to attend the firemen's muster at Westfield June 16th.

Miss Edith Sutcliffe, who has been spending the past year at Dr. Fletcher's in Chicopee, has returned to her home for the summer.

William Foley, proprietor of the Monson House, caught a string of forty trout Wednesday morning weighing about eighteen pounds.

Special preaching services are being held in the Congregational church evenings, the speaker being Rev. E. A. Paddock of Montana.

A. D. Norcross bought at Hardwick recently a herd of 62 young cattle, which arrived in town this week, attracting considerable attention.

Goodrich's wagon show, which has paid Monson several visits, is giving two exhibitions on Sullivan's lot to-day. The street parade this noon drew ont quite a crowd.

The friends of Charles May of Springfield, formerly employed by H. Butler of this place, have received word of his intended marriage to take place Wednesday, June 1st.

Invitations are out for marriage of Miss Eva A. Carpenter and Milton C. I. Howe, to take place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. William N. Manchester June 2, at 4 o'clock

The selectmen have at last satisfactorily adjusted the matter of grauting pool licenses, and will give E. T. Connolly and the Century House a license to run two tables each, the price being $25 for each license.

Landlord Foley of the Monson House has had eight large tubs, painted a bright red color, placed on the lawns in front of the hotel, which adds greatly to the appearance of the grounds.

John Ingham is spending a few weeks vacation in New Jersey. The bicycle riding is excellent through that section of the country, and as Mr. Ingham has his bycycle with him he will probably take advantage of it.

The Mouson Cycle League will have a bicycle run to Palmer and return next Tuesday night for all club members. The start will be made from in front of the club room at 6 45, and the run will be slow, so that both sexes can participate.

Through the efforts of M. F. Moore, one of the members of the school committee, a new flag has been procured for the quarry schoolhouse. The flag was raised Wednesday and was solnted by cheers by the children, and while "America" was being sung.

A little story is told of a pair of robins who made their nest one day last week in a corner of the addition being built on Ellis's mill. It was necessary for the workmen to remove the nest, and the next morning another was fonnd in the same place, but this too had to go.

Loren Squier returned Monday from Eastlake, Florida, and will spend the summer with his brother, Edgar Squier, on Moulton Hill. Mr. Squier owns a small orange grove in the South, and is postmaster at Eastlake. He reports that oranges from the South are liable to be scarce this year, owing to frosts in the early part of the season.

Adjutant C. M. Fryar of Boston, an important worker in the Salvation Army, will give a lecture in Memrial Hall to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock, illustrated by 55 stereopticon views. The admission will be 25 cents for adults and 15 cents for children. The money raised will go towards buying a tent for the New England Guards Band's summer campaign.

Catharine Duffy, 70, wife of Owen Duffy, died at her home at the quarry Friday night after a long illness. She leaves besides a husband, one son, Patrick, who is employed by the W. N. Flynt Granite Co., and two daughters, Mrs. Joseph Record and Mrs. James Savage, all of Monson. The funeral was held at St. Patrick's church Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Harvey Brockbank of Boston, formerly of Monson, has gone to the war. A pathetic incident is connected with his enlistment His mother, Mrs. M. C. Brockbank, who removed to California some years ago, came east last week to visit friends, only to find that her son had gone to the front just before her arrival. Mrs. Brockbank's husband was a veteran of the civil war.

A special town meeting will be held in Memorial Hall next Thursday evening at 8 o'clock for the purpose of appropriating money to pay the interest on the water bond for this year. The matter should have been brought up at the regular town meeting but was neglected. The voters will also be asked to designate a place for posting a copy of the town warrant at the upper end of the town.

The telephone exchange, which has been located in Dunham's block for the past year and a half, is being changed to the residence of Mrs. Ellen Parker on Main street. The telephone hours will be extended to ten o'clock each evening, and the exchange will be open two hours on Sundays, but just what they are to be has not yet been decided. The extended evening service will be greatly appreciated by the snbscribers, as it has been cut off at six o'clock in the past. The new hours will probably go into effect about the first of June.

It has been the custom of A. A. Gage camp, S. of V., for the past two years to invite all Sons of Veterans not members of the camp to unite with them in the Memorial Day exercises, and this year the same invitation is given, but it is on condition that all those who intend joining with the camp on that day must meet for drill with them at least one night before Memorial Day, as they do not care to have them join the ranks unless they have some idea of what is required of them. Meetings for drill will be held next Tuesday and Thursday nights at G. A. R. hall.

It will be of interest to Monson people to learn of the wedding of Emory G. Perkins and Miss Edith L. Severy daughter of Mrs. Geo. M. Severy, which took place at the bride's home in Chicopee Wednesday afternoon. The wedding was very quiet, only a few friends and relatives being present owing to the severe illness of Mr. Perkins's father. Miss Severy has many friends in Monson, although she has not resided in this place for some time. For several years she has been employed in the office of the J. T. Stevens Arm and Tool Co. in Chicopee. After a short wedding trip to New York they will reside in Chicopee.

An exciting checker game between four Ware and four Monson men took place at the Windsor Club's rooms last Saturday afternoon. The Ware contestants were Messrs. Ingalls, O'Connell, William Hathaway, L. Hathaway, and the Monson men were Messrs. Sisson, M. F. Bacon, McGnire, and Cornelins Sullivan. At first it was intended to play sixteen games, or four for each set, which resulted is a score of eight for Ware and five for Monson, with three drawn games, but afterwards thirteen extra games were played, resulting in seven for Monson, three for Ware and three draws. The Monson team expects to pay Ware a visit soon.

Rufus Fay, foreman in the sewing department of Heimann & Lichten's straw works, has resigned on account of ill health. Mr. Fay was very popular with those with whom he had dealings, and those employed in his rooms have shown their regard in a substantial way, presenting him a purse of money. Mr. Fay has all his life been connected with the straw works, being the son of Rufus F. Fay of the firm of Merrick, Fay & Co., who established the industry. After his father's death Mr. Fay entered the firm. Some eight years ago the business was sold to the present owners, since which time Mr. Fay has had charge of the sewing.

LUDLOW.

Mr. and Mrs. David Trombley were given a surprise party by their friends Tuesday evening, it being the 25 anniversary of their marriage. A pleasant enterlainment was given on the graphophone, and a collation was served.

The Democratic town committee met Monday evening and the following committees were appointed: Finance, Michael Nelligan, William H. Consadine, Henry T. Brady; registration and naturalization, James B. Haviland, Charles W. Aldeu, Henry E Qninn, Henry T. Brady.

WEST WARREN.

Mrs. May McAdam has been at home for a few days this week.

Mr. Cunliffe is still very sick at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John Tongne.

Mrs. Henry Beaman of Springfield has returned to her home after a week's visit with her daughter, Mrs. A. Crossman.

The Epworth Leauge anniversary exercises last Sunday were very interesting, many of the members from out of town being present, Mr. and Mrs. James Grant from Ware, J. Campbell and wife, George Ryecroft, Three Rivers, Miss Jessie Johnson, Springfield, and others.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

The local freight on the Boston and Albany railroad met with an accident in this village yesterday morning. While switching back, the train broke in two parts and the detached cars crashed into several others standing on the main track, three cars being derailed and badly smashed. Two coal cars were damaged beyond repair, and were rolled down the embankment and burned. The local westbound accommodation train had to be switched over on the east track to get to Indian Orchard. The wrecker arrived soon after the wreck and had the track clear by 9 30

EAST BRIMFIELD.

Mrs. F. A. Slater is quite ill.

P. A. Leach and N. Farro are out on new bicycles this week.

Richard Macallister is at home with his parents for a short visit.

Richard Macallister and Charles Edgerton took a trip to Springfield last week.

Napoleon Cassavant has left the employ of the Lovell Co. and gone to Holyoke.

A basket social was held last Friday, at which a very enjoyable time was reported. Recitations and music were furnished by people in the place, also by Mr. and Mrs. George Bagley, assisted by Mr. Wilson and the Misses Wilson. The proceeds of the evening amounted to over $18 50.

HAMPDEN.

Dr. H. Warner has opened an office in Clark Goodwill's block, near the livery stable.

The Willing Workers of the Congregational church will give a strawberry festival in the church vestry this evening.

H. H. Batchellor of Granby bought the creamery, which was sold at public auction Monday morning. The price paid was $1650. Mr. Batchellor will start up the business at once.

Hampden now has a telephone service, the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company having extended their line to the town and established a public pay station in the post office. The following have had instruments put in: W. M. Pease, market; Matthias Casey, general store; E. P. Lyons, grain dealer and truckman; G. T. Ballard, physician; Clark Goodrich, livery; John Ryan, grocer; Sumner Smith, general store; Hampden Mills Company, woolen manufacturers; John Kenworthy, blanket manufacturer.

CHAUNCEY WALCOTT of Monson.
89 Years Old Last Saturday.

WALES.

W. Brown has moved his family to Southbridge.

The sills are laid for a new barn 20 by 24 for the Methodist parsenage.

John Andrews has taken a position as boss weaver at the Golden-rod mill.

Adelbert Mandigo has enlisted in Co. K., 8th Regiment, and has passed the examination.

Martin Switzer has purchased a number of cows and is furnishing cream for the Warren creamery.

Miss Emma Lanphear spent a part of last week in Connecticut, making the trip on her bicycle.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Pepper havo received notice of the death of their infant grandchild in Spencer.

No tidings have been received of the store breakers and horse thieves. Somo suspect they may be hiding near by.

O. C. Switzer has purchased a new machine for spraying fruit trees, and is prepared to spray for the public at short notice.

C. G. Needham has thoroughly repaired the inside of Ansel Shaw's house on Main street, having painted, grained and papered it throughout.

W. W. Mathews has a position in Brown & Lyon's meat market. Mr. Mathews is well liked among the patrons, always trying to please and accommodate.

Rev. H. P. Smith is enlarging his barn on his farm property, contemplating in some future time of renting to some live stirring man who will go into the creamery business.

WARE.

Steere & Son of Springfield havo built a new organ in the Episcopal church.

Miss Delia St. Onge and George Messier were married Sunday afternoon by Rev. J. T. Sheehan.

Mrs. Virginia Plante died Friday. The fnneral was held Sunday, will services at Mt. Carmel church.

The work of macadamizing Bank street will begin soon, under charge of F. A. Dayton of Northampton.

Thomas N. Doutney of New Haven, Ct., has been giving a series of temperence lectures in the town hall this week.

The 12-years-old son of William Hutchinson of West street fell while crossing North street Saturday afternoon and broke his right forearm.

The Social Science Club will give a reception in the town hall next Wednesday evening to Miss Mira Hall, who has been its president for many years.

The school memorial exercises will be held in the town hall next Monday. Addresses will be made by the clergymen of the town, and appropriate singing will be rendered by the members of the schools.

The high school athletic association has elected James Clifford captain and Bernard W. Southworth manager of the ball team, to fill the vacancies caused by the resignations of Arthur H. Bassett and G. Earle Holmes.

Mrs. Kate Sandford, 80, died at her home on Morse avenue Tuesday morning of chronic bronchitis. Mrs. Sandford was an old resident of Ware and was the widow of Joseph Sandford, who was once postmaster. The body was taken to Woonsocket, R. I., for burial.

WARREN.

Rev. O. I. Darling of North Adams was in town a part of the week.

The Tuesday Club met with Miss Ellen Cutler Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Hale of Brookline are guests of Miss Edith Chadsey.

Mrs. Emma Guilbert has moved to the corner of Elm and East streets.

The King's daughters met with Mrs. Edgar Butterworth Friday afternoon.

The Ladies' Home Missionary society met at the chapel Wednesday afternoon.

Quite a number from this place attended the reproduction of the operetta "Jacobi" at West Brookfield Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Danforth Keys of Bacon street is entertaining Mrs. M. A. Duty, who has returned to Warren for the summer.

The Young Peoples' society of the Universalist church gave a supper and entertainment in Grand Army hall last evening.

Enthusiastic crowds met the troops which passed through here Monday and Tuesday evenings. As the trains passed flags were waved and red lights burned.

The Boys' Brigade reorganized at the Congregational chapel Tuesday night. All applicants underwent a physical examination. Thirty were accepted and ten rejected. Mr. Allen, master of the sub-grammar school, has charge of the drilling.

Death of Moses K. Whipple.

In the death of Moses K. Whipple, which occurred in Worcester last Saturday, Warren loses a well-known and much-respected citizen. Mr. Whipple was born in Hardwick in 1830, and came to Warren about 50 years ago with his cousin, Lucius Knowles. He was for a time engaged in the mannfacture of warps at the mill on Main street now occupied by the Bradford Yarn Company, but on account of failing health was obliged to retire from active business about fee years ago. He was a deacon in the Congregational church for many years, and an active worker in the parish society as long as his health permitted. He was a member of Warren lodge of Masons, and of the Royal Arcanum. The funeral services were held at his late home Tuesday afternoon. Rev. W. B Forbush of Charlestown officiated, and music was furnished by the male quartet. The burial was in the Pine Grove cemetery with Masonic ritual.

BELCHERTOWN.

Miss Alice Walker has returned from a visit with friends in Springfield

A castle of the Knights of King Arthur has been organized in town.

Mr. Harper and family have removed to the Arnold place on South Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. William Towne of Grand Rapids, Mich., are visiting at the home of Mrs. Lucretia Cowles.

A number from Vernon lodge of Masons attended the exemplification meeting of Masonic work in Palmer Tnesday.

Mrs. Susan Porter has returned from a visit with her daughter in Ashnnot.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Davis died Monday of heart disease. The funeral was held Wednesday.

The house of Nelson Lamson of Dwights was entered last week and a sum of money and several articles of value taken.

Rev. Mr. St John of Springfield has been engaged as pastor of the Methodist church of Belchertown and the chapel at Dwights.

Memorial Day Programme.

The following Memorial Day programme has been arranged: The line will form in front of Grand Army Hall at 10 o'clock in the following order, E. J. Griggs post, with associate members, led by the Belchertown drum corps, 10 members, M. H. West, leader; Woman's Relief Corps; Sons of Veterans; town officials and invited guests; teachers and children of the public schools. The column will march to Mt. Hope cemetery and decorate the graves of comrades, then to the soldier's monument, where the Grand Army service will be rendered, also reading of the death-roll of those who went from Belchertown and died for their country. Returning to Grand Army Hall the line will be dismissed. Refreshments will be served in the town hall at 12.30. At 1.30 the line will re-form in front of Grand Army Hall and march to the Congregational church, where the following programme will be observed: Prayer by Rev. A. H Manee; reading of general orders; remarks by Commander F. G Shaw; music by quartette; address by D. P. Clapp; singing of "America;" benediction. The exercises of the day will be followed by memorial exercises in Grand Army Hall, beginning at 7 30, consisting of music, recitations, addresses, etc. Capt. John Anderson will act as toastmaster. Gifts of flowers will be thankfully received at Grand Army Hall on the morning of Memorial Day.

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And nobody cares to know
That nobody cares for nobody, where's
The good of minding it so?
—*St. Nicholas.*

NICARAGUA'S BLIGHT OF POLITICS.

As an example of the evils of personal politics, Nicaragua stands pre-eminent. It has been the theater of war almost continuously ever since the country was discovered. There is no country of equal area upon which so much human blood had been wasted, or so much wanton destruction committed, in the settlement of questions that involved only the ambition of men or the rivalry of cities. For half a century three towns contended for the seat of government; and, although Managua is now the residence of the president, Granada and Leon have never recognized it as the capital.

Nature having blessed Nicaragua with wonderful resources, peace and industry would make the country prosperous beyond comparison; but so much attention has been paid to politics that there has been little time left for anything else. Scarcely a year has passed without a revolution; and during the 75 years of its independence the republic has had five times as many rulers as it had in the three centuries during which it was under the dominion of Spain. It is a land of volcanic disturbances, physical, moral and political; and the mountains and the men between them have contrived to keep an almost continuous commotion. . . .

In mines, forests, fisheries and pastoral resources, Nicaragua has been bountifully blessed by nature; but, if peace can ever be made permanent, its future wealth will come from the development of its agricultural lands. The forests are of great value, not for timber alone, but for rubber, drugs and dyewoods. The mines produce gold, silver, copper and some of the rarer metals; but they are worked by priuitive processes, and political disturbances as well as lack of transportation facilities prevent their full development. The agricultural lands are divided into large estates, which are operated upon the same plan that prevailed among the planters of the South before the rebellion. The people are extravagant and usually anticipate their incomes, so that a crop of nearly every estancia is mortgaged to the commission merchant before it is harvested, and the planter is compelled to take any price that is offered him. He borrows money to pay his laborers and provido them with food, as well as to meet his own personal expenses, or draws upon his credit at the nearest mercantile establishment. The peon is in debt to the planter, the planter to the merchant, the merchant to the exporter; and the latter conducts his business with funds furnished by his correspondents in New York, London or Hamburg. And so it goes on year after year. Each person involved in the transaction spends, in advance of its receipt, as much or more money than he makes; conducts his business on paper, like speculators in the stock market; meets deficits with mortgages; and causes the country to grow poorer each year, with no possible hope of redemption except by an influx of fresh blood and capital.—*W. Ellery Curtis, in the Forum.*

REPORTER AND CHINAMAN.

Numberless are the tricks which newspaper reporters play upon one another to relieve the somber "grind" of their calling. Two young men employed on a morning paper in a large city were detailed one day to call upon the resident Chinamen and "interview" them respecting some immigration measure then pending in congress. One of the two reporters was a beginner, and the other, an experienced man, naturally assumed the management of the assignment.

"Billings," he said after they had invaded several laundries without any important result, "here is a tea store. I wish you would go in and talk with the proprietor. I want to know what he thinks about Chinamen voting. I'll go on and pull off an interview with the man who runs this cigar shop next door. Remember to use the very simplest English at your command."

The young reporter went inside the tea store, took out his notebook, and thus addressed the proprietor, who happened to be alone at the moment:

"John, how? Me—me—Telegraph, John! Newspape—savvy, John? Newspape—print things. Un'stan? Me want know what John think about Chinaman vote, see? What John think—Chinaman—vote—all Melican man? Savvy, John? What think?"

The Chinaman listened to him with profound gravity until he had finished and replied:

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The young reporter went outside and leaned against a lamppost to rest and recover from a sudden faintness that had possession of him. His comrade had purposely "steered him against" one of the best educated Chinamen in the United States.—*Youth's Companion.*

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During the week there were three additional knives returned, all of which had been broken cutting little pine sticks, and each of the purchasers was given a new knife. But one day a ragged little fellow came into that store and said: "I broke that knife you sold me and I want to buy another. It was a good knife, but dad tried to get a cork out of a bottle with the small blade and I broke the large blade trying to split a big hickory stick."

The hardwareman threw his arms around the little boy's neck and in a voice choked with emotion said: "Take a dozen knives, my dear little fellow, a bicycle, a fishing rod, a sled and anything else that you would like to have. You are the first one to return a pocketknife to me that did not say it was broken by being used to whittle a little pine stick."—*Hardware.*

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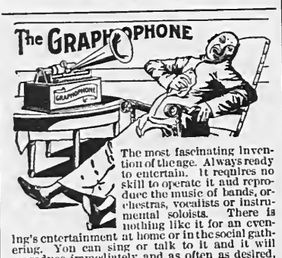

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Smile a little, smile a little,
All along the road;
Every life must have its burden,
Every heart its load.
Why sit down in gloom and darkness,
With your grief to sup?
As you drink Fate's bitter tonic,
Smile across the cup.

Smile upon the troubled pilgrims
Whom you pass and meet;
Frowns are thorns, and smiles are blossoms,
Oft for weary feet.
Do not make the way seem harder
By a sullen face,
Smile a little, smile a little,
Brighten up the place.

Smile upon your undone labor;
Not for one who grieves
O'er his task waits wealth or glory;
He who smiles achieves.
Though you meet with loss and sorrow
In the passing years,
Smile a little, smile a little,
Even through your tears.
—*Ella Wheeler Wilcox.*

HOW UNION PRISONERS ESCAPED FROM A REBEL PRISON.

"When we were stationed at Port Conway, below Fredericksburg, a scouting party of our people had what might be called a very narrow escape from an involuntary trip to Richmond as prisoners," remarked a sergeant of the 5th Pennsylvania Cavalry, who, with other enlisted men, was relating his experiences. "You see," said he, "we had been sent out by General Bayard to see what the enemy were doing. We numbered all told thirty-six men under the command of a lieutenant, and our instructions were to go as far as the old warehouses on the river below us, and then return the way we had gone. Everything went right until about 4 o'clock; we hadn't seen any of the enemy, and were marching to the camp again, when the lieutenant thought he'd see what was in a house over on our right. When we arrived at the house we found no one at home but an old woman, two young girls and half a dozen female slaves. We dismounted and asked for something to eat. There wasn't a mouthful of anything in the house; the women were fed by a son-in-law over by Port Conway. There wasn't a horse or other animal to be seen about the whole place.

"'Are there no men about?' asked the lieutenant.

"'Not one,' replied the lady with dignity. 'They are all in the Confederate Army. If you are after them you'll have to go where they are to find them.'

"'Thanks,' laughingly replied the lieutenant, 'We have no particular wish to go on the other side of the river at present.'

"'Perhaps you may go,' said the lady, 'without any desire.'

"We mounted and were soon on our way to Port Conway, distant about six miles. As we rode along I thought over what the lady had said. Did she mean a threat, or was it only woman's talk? I rode up to the lieutenant and was just about to mention the thing to him when from a clump of bushes there sounded such a shout as I had never heard before. Our men were scattered over about half a mile of road and there was no chance to get them together; as it was, I don't believe any effort was made, for each man seemed to be taking care of himself. As I pulled up I saw about a dozen Johnnies making toward me. 'Surrender, you Yankee——, or we'll fill you full of holes.' I could do nothing, so thought discretion the better part of valor and pulled up where I stood. 'Dismount'! cried a big fellow, aiming his gun at me. I dismounted and was led into the woods, where I found a number of our men who had been previously captured. There was another sergeant beside myself and I asked him how many there were of us. He told me that nine had been captured with him. We did not halt long in the woods, but were soon taken over by the river, there to wait until the others came in. Only three men were left to guard us, but as we were without arms, that was quite enough. While we were sitting on the river bank bemoaning our fate, I noticed a little piece of newspaper floating on the surface of the water. I played with it awhile, then drew it forth. Glad to do anything to pass the time, I sat down and looked it over. Down in one corner I read the story of a woman throwing vitriol into another's eyes.

"When you have given up in despair, when nothing but a rebel prison stands before you, your thoughts are somewhat lively. Mine were at any rate, and I prayed for an ounce of vitriol at that moment. But the prayer was in vain; I had no vitriol and nothing to take its place. We were sitting in the sand, and the guards were talking to us like old friends. All at once I started up. I had an idea that looked feasible. What's the matter with sand? I asked myself. If we could manage to get a handful of sand in each guard's eyes we might escape. It was an inspiration. The more I thought of it the more feasible it became, and I got so nervous thinking over it that I couldn't sit still. I sat down and got up. I walked as far as I dared and sat down again. We prisoners were all together, and I thought of some plan by which I might communicate with the others. The guard surrounded us and it looked to be impossible. I made sly motions to the other sergeant, but he was so much taken up with his own affairs that he couldn't understand, and I gave up the idea of attracting his attention. Right next to me was a little York County Dutchman. I'd try him. I whispered that if we could only cast a handful of sand into each guard's eyes we might escape. He was a cunning little duck, and instantly grasped the idea, and signalled that it was all right. I saw him look for sand right away. Then I whispered to another man, and he signalled that he understood and he looked for sand. In this way I managed to communicate the idea to the others, and in a little while I had six men in the secret. I had no doubt that the others would get in as soon as they saw the point.

"We had been waiting about half an hour and the guards were becoming restless. They stood about and talked to each other and to us. Then I entered into a conversation with them about the war, and I saw the York County man gather a double handful of sand; then some of the others did the same, and one would have thought that us Yanks were mud-pie makers without doubt had they seen the industry of these men. I had not got my sand yet, but I determined to be in it and soon left the guard and collected my sand. The other men were sitting about thinking of their trip to rebeldom, when I suddenly arose as if to depart, which caused the guards to look about. The next instant I had dashed a handful of sand directly into his eyes and he was swearing as only a trooper can. I looked about and saw that the other guards had been taken care of by our fellows and were scampering about rubbing their eyes like madmen. We were not long in disarming them and making them prisoners; it was all over in less than two minutes. When we had shared their sabres, pistols and carbines among us and were masters of the situation we walked them down to the river and assisted them to get the sand out of their eyes. Then we took their lariats and tied them. Thus far there hadn't been a loud word spoken, except when we dashed the sand into their eyes. They sat for a time in stoical silence; then, as if the comical side of the affair had just occurred to them, they set up a laugh in which we all joined.

"Younns got weuns this time, Yanks," said one of them.

"I've often heard that the Yanks were cunnin', but I swear if this wasn't the cunnin'st thing I ever heard of," said another. "How in—— did you ever think of such a thing?"

"That gave me the idea," said I, and I showed them the piece of paper I had fished out of the river.

"It ain't much," said the first speaker, "but it done the business, didn't it?"—*Philadelphia Times.*

THE MYSTERY OF THE SHAD.

Delaware shad have always been looked upon, by Philadelphians particularly, as the finest flavored fish of the kind taken from any river in the Union. Therefore epicures will welcome the announcement that the shad is now beginning its annual entry into the Delaware and that a few made their appearance last week in the city market. The movements of the shad are of much interest and more mystery to ichthyologists and fish culturists. Beyond the period when the fish is in the river almost absolutely nothing is known of its habits. It belongs to a class known as anadromous fishes—that is, those whose home is in the sea, but who come into fresh water to spawn. From the time the egg is deposited to the time the fish reaches maturity and becomes a spawner there is a period of three years, and the first five or six months of this only are spent in fresh water.

When the water of the Delaware in the spring reaches a temperature of 60 degrees or over the shad enter from the sea in great shoals, the males first and the females about two weeks later. It was supposed for some years that the males entered first in order to find suitable nesting places, but this assumption is now known to be false from the discovery that the shad does not make a nest, as many other species of fish do, and the real reason for their appearing first must remain, for the present at least, as one of the mysteries which surround the movements of this fine food fish.

The spawning grounds of the shad are the large pools in the Delaware above Trenton to the headwaters, and it is for this reason that the erection of dams in the river would destroy the fisheries in a very few years. It is true that there are also spawning grounds at the head of Timber creek and a few other streams below Trenton tributary to the Delaware, but they are of very small extent, and could not begin to accommodate the number of fish which come in from the sea every year. The average female shad deposits about 30,000 eggs, although a very large one may deposit anywhere from 60,000 to 90,000 eggs. Of these it is estimated that not more than 10 per cent are hatched, the remainder either not being fertilized or else are destroyed by the many other fish in the river. Of those left it is estimated that 90 per cent are devoured. Thus out of 30,000 eggs laid only about 25 or 30 young fish reach the sea in safety. It is in the hatching of shad that man outdoes nature, for out of every 30,000 eggs man by artificial methods, can cause 90 per cent to be hatched, against the 10 per cent of nature. The young artificially hatched must be placed immediately in the natural breeding grounds, and assuming that 90 per cent of these little creatures will be devoured by larger fish, there still remain 2700 to reach the sea, against 25 or 30 by natural hatching. It may be stated here that in consequence of the greatly increased demand within the last few years, if it were not for the artificial hatching, the shad would by this time have almost disappeared from the Delaware and from all other streams for that matter.

After hatching the young shad grow very rapidly, feeding on small flies and water animalculae. By September they are from three to four inches long, and then as the water grows colder they begin making their way in vast shoals to the sea. As soon as they reach deep water all trace of them is lost.—*Philadelphia Public Ledger.*

ANIMALS UNDERGROUND.

Ventilation, or rather the want of it, must be a difficulty in the underground life of almost all mammals. The rabbit and the rat secure a current of air by forming a bolt hole in connection with their system of passages, but the fox, the badger and many of the field voles and mice seem indifferent to any such precaution. There is no doubt that whatever gave the first impulse to burrow, many animals look upon this, to us a most unpleasant exertion, as a form of actual amusement. It also confers a right of property.

Prairie dogs constantly set to work to dig holes merely for the love of the thing. If they cannot have a suitable place to exercise their talent in, they will gnaw into boxes or chests of drawers, and there burrow, to the great detriment of the clothes therein contained. In an inclosed prairie dog "town" they have been known to mine until the superincumbent earth collapsed and buried the greater number. A young prairie dog, let loose in a small, gravel-floored house, instantly dug a hole large enough to sit in, turned round in it and bit the first person who attempted to touch him. Property gave him courage, for before he had been as meek as a mouse.

It is noticeable that the two weakest and least numerous of our mice, the dormouse and the harvest mouse, do not burrow, but make nests, and that these do not multiply or maintain their numbers, like the burrowing mice and voles. But the fact that there are members of very closely allied species, some of which do burrow, while others do not, seems to indicate that the habit is an acquired one.

In this connection it is worth noting that many animals which do not burrow at other times form burrows in which to conceal and protect their young, or, if they do burrow, make a different kind of a more elaborate character. Among these nursery burrows are those of the dog, the fox and sand-martin, the kingfisher and the sheldrake. Foxhound litters never do so well as when the mother is allowed to make a burrow on the sunny side of a straw stack. In time she will work this five or six feet into the stack and keep the puppies at the far end, while she lies in the entrance. Vixens either dig or appropriate a clean burrow for their cubs, which is a natural habit, or, at any rate one acquired previously to the use of earth by adult foxes.—*London Spectator.*

HUMORS OF ANTI-SUFFRAGE.

Under the heading "Humors of Anti-Suffrage," the *Chicago Post* makes a little mild fun of the manifesto lately issued by the Illinois Association Opposed to the Extention of Suffrage to the Women. It is especially amused by the somewhat startling assertion of Madeline Vinlon Dahlgreu:

"No more patriotic work can be done for the country than to arrest the movement for female suffrage, which was formed amidst the communistic revolutions and socialistic agitation of 1848, and is intended to weaken the marriage tie and destroy the sacredness of home life."

The *Chicago Post* says:

"This kind of statement is quite usual among people knowing no difference between communism and socialism. Their convincing logic runs like this: Some socialistic clubs endorsed woman suffrage; therefore all socialists are suffragists and conversely, all suffragists are socialists, argal all suffragists are communists, nihilists, anarchists, dynamiters. See them wave the red flag! Call out the police and fire department and the militia. Seize Dr. Stevenson, Miss Adams, Rev. Celia Wooley, Rev. Anna Shaw, Mrs. Frank Steward Parker and other fell destroyers of our homes, ere they put the torch to the city!"

We might also cry, "Seize Mrs. Julia Ward Howe, Mrs. Mary A. Livermore, Mrs. Quincy A. Shaw, Mrs. Alice Freeman Palmer, and the rest of these dangerous characters!" If the anti-suffragists said that the result of woman suffrage would be to weaken the marriage tie and destroy the sacredness of home life, the statement might be made in good faith by those who believe so; but when they say that the movement "is intended" to produce these results, considering the character of most of the women who are advocating it, the assertion is preposterous, not to say libellous. The *Post* goes on to call attention to the grammatical errors in the pamphlet, and especially in the letter of congratulation from Massachusetts, and asks, "What is there about anti-suffrage that destroys the reasoning faculties and is inimical to the first principles of grammar?"—*Woman's Journal.*

WALTER'S FIRST DIP.

Walter T. was 6 years old. He never had seen the ocean. We were to spend the summer at the seaside, and Walter had a new bathing suit. Every boy in the block was invited into the house to see him try it on, and one day we discovered him in the bathtub surrounded by an admiring group of juveniles, to whom he was discoursing about how he would dive from the end of the iron pier when he reached the ocean. When the young man, however, saw the ocean, with the great waves rolling on the beach, he could not be induced to go near it and positively refused to put on his bathing suit.

One day his father offered him 50 cents if he would put on his suit and get wet all over once. He wanted the money very much, so he finally consented. Clasping his arms around his father's neck like a vise, the great undertaking was begun. After much shivering and trembling he was wet about two inches above his ankles, when he exclaimed, "Papa, I—guess—I—will—only —take — 10—cents '— worth — this—time."—*Crypt.*

BIDDY'S TWO SUITS OF FEATHERS.

"Do you see that hen?" asked Chief of Police Frank McDermott some six months ago. The chicken in question was a plain looking, everyday white hen and was feeding around the yard at the police barracks.

"Yes," I answered. "What about it?"

"Well," continued Chief McDermott, "that hen is white in the summer and black in the winter. You may laugh, but it is the truth. My attention was called to the wonderful phenomenon some time ago. At first I laughed at the idea of such a thing, but I was soon convinced that the hen had two suits of feathers—one for winter use and the other for summer."

I told the chief that I would watch the fowl and see if such were the case. Soon the white feathers became spotted with black ones until now the hen is almost a jet black. The fowl can be seen at any time in the yard at the police barracks.—*Savannah Press*

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Yit, with the stars and stripes above, a-flutterin' in the air,
On ev'ry soldier's grave I'd love to lay a lily thare.

They say, though, Decoration Days is ginerally observed
'Most ev'rywheres—especially by soldier boys that's served—
But me and mother's never went—we seldom git away—
In plain o' fact, we're allus home on Decoration Day.

They say the old boys marches through the streets in columns grand,
A-follerin' the old war tunes theyr playin' on the hand—
And citizens all jinin' in—and little children, too—
All marchin' under shelter of the old red, white and blue.

With roses! roses! roses!—ev'rybody in the town!—
And crowds o' little girls in white, jest fairly loaded down!
Oh! don't the boys know it, from their camp aerost the hill?
Don't they see theyr com'rads coming and the old flag wavin' still?

Oh! can't they hear the bugul and the rattle of the drum?
Ain't thay no way under heavens they can recollect us some?
Ain't they no way we can coax 'em through the roses jest to say
They know that ev'ry day on earth's theyr Decoration Day?

We've tried that—me and mother—where Elias takes his rest,
In the orchard, in his uniform, and hands aerost his breast,
And the flag he died for smilin' and a-ripplin' in the breeze
Above the grave, and over that the robin in the trees!

And yit it's lonesome—lonesome—it's a Sund'y-day to me,
It 'pears like—mor'n any day I nearly ever see!
Still, with the stars and stripes above, a-flutterin' in the air,
On ev'ry soldier's grave I'd love to lay a lily thare.

—*James Whitcomb Riley.*

A CHILD SHALL LEAD.

"Miss Mehitable," said Lonetta after a long pause, "shouldn't you think it must be nice to have a lot of dead folks all your own?"

Miss Mehitable dropped the black stocking she was knitting, pushed her spectacles up on her smooth, iron gray hair and stared at her newly adopted daughter. The girl sat in the little carpet covered rocking chair, the lamplight shining on her abundant red hair, her freckled face, her small, nearsighted eyes. Not even her own mother could have called her a pretty child, but Miss Mehitable surveyed her with perfect satisfaction.

Only six months ago Miss Mehitable had gone to the orphan asylum in the city and astonished the matron by asking for the homeliest girl they had for adoption.

"There's always plenty of folks to take the good looking ones," she said, with a contemptuous sniff.

"My name is Mehitable Swett of Royton," continued the visitor, "and I can refer you to the selectmen of the town."

"Our homeliest girl! Well, I think we ought to call up '42,'" said the matron to the amused first assistant. So "42," a shrinking, red haired child, not beautiful, surely, was brought in to the visitors' parlor.

"You can leave us alone," said Miss Mehitable, and the matron obediently withdrew.

"Now, my dear," said Miss Mehitable to the frightened child, with a sudden softening of manner, "get up in my lap."

The child allowed herself to be taken up.

"There, now," said Miss Mehitable. "Why, I guess you ain't much used to laps. Well, we'll change all that. Now what's your name?"

"Forty-two," lisped the little girl.

"Pshaw! You must have some other name than '42.' What is it?"

"My name's Chrissy Boylston, only it's Christmas, not just Chrissy."

"Why do they call you Christmas?"

The child remained silent.

"Oh, I guess I know," said Miss Mehitable. "They found you on Christmas day on Boylston street. Have you any relations or friends?"

"No, ma'am."

"No relations or friends! Well, we'll change all that too."

Miss Mehitable slowly and gently drew from the child all the story she had to tell. There was pitiably little of it. She had been only a few weeks old when the policeman found her. Her mother had abandoned her on Christmas day. They had brought her here. She had always had good food, clothes and teaching. No; she had never been held in any one's lap before. She had never been kissed, and she was 10 years old.

So "42" was legally adopted by Miss Mehitable Swett, and renamed Lonetta Luella Swett, after twin sisters of Miss Mehitable's who had died in infancy.

Miss Mehitable kept a little notion shop in Royton, where she lectured the girls who came to buy corsets and refused to sell cap pistols to the little boys or colored candy to the little girls. There was a story current that Miss Mehitable had once asked a young woman to leave the shop who had dared to ask if she kept crimping irons!

In spite of these prejudices, her trade was good. The farmers' wives for miles around knew that Mehitable Swett's calicoes never "ran," and that her "all wool" meant all wool. Mehitable was one of the taxpayers in the town and was one of the quaint figures on the train, when, on stockholders' day, all the holders of stock in the railroad company ride free to Boston

Miss Mehitable was a patriot, and during the civil war, when, of course, she could not be a soldier, she had insisted upon sending a substitute. She had been favored by the authorities, who were much impressed, with an official document certifying that Mehitable Swett had furnished a substitute. The certificate, in a frame, was the crowning glory of her shop.

The fact that the substitute was shot in the back while running away from a fight did not, in Miss Swett's judgment, affect her responsibility toward the man's family, and she had watched over them—they were a shiftless lot—and borne with them, until one happy day they all emigrated, and were forever after unable to return.

The certificate hung over the door which led into the parlor, and the jangling bell rang under it all the day long. Miss Mehitable used to sit behind her counter, like a judge on the bench, and the stately "Well?" with which she invariably greeted her customers was enough to frighten timid strangers.

But the village people knew her well, and though they laughed at her peculiarities there was no one in Royton who was respected more than she.

The adoption of Lonetta Luella had been a matter of intense interest in the town. It was just like Miss Mehitable, they said, to take a child that no one else would have. But all the townspeople were kind to the plain, shy, unchildish stranger.

Day by day Miss Mehitable and Lonetta grew nearer to each other, the one so glad to give love, the other starving to receive it. Little by little the child opened her heart, sure of sympathy, and Miss Mehitable was learning what a strange and unnatural product an orphan asylum child is.

Lonetta's mind was so full of queer fancies that Miss Mehitable was not surprised, that stormy night when our story opens, that the child's thought should turn as it did, and to hear her ask if it would not be "nice to have a lot of dead folks all your own."

"Dead folks, Lonetta?" she said.

"Yes," answered the child simply; "grandfathers and grandmothers and aunts and uncles, all your own, with a high fence around to keep folks out. Ah, it must be so nice!" Lonetta's face brightened at the thought.

"Yes, dear," said Miss Mehitable softly. "I know what you mean. To have one's dead together is a comfort."

"But, Miss Mehitable, do you think it would be wicked to adopt grandfathers, if they'd been dead so long they had no one left? There are two soldiers of the Revolution in the old part of the graveyard, and they have no one to love them and take care of them, and they'd make such nice grandfathers for me, if you think they wouldn't object. Do you? I want some dead relations so!" The nearsighted eyes were dim with tears.

"Who are they?" asked Miss Mehitable.

"One is Captain Jonathan Martin and the other is Lieutenant Thomas Edmunds, and they died before 1800."

"No," said Miss Mehitable, in an answer to the child's inquiry, "the Martin family are all gone, and the last Edmunds moved West years ago. There is no one living who would care, and as for the dead—I don't think they'd object! But what good will they do you?"

"Ah," said Lonetta, with fervor, "they will be such a comfort to me nights! I can make stories up about them after I go to bed, and I can take care of their graves and put wreaths on them on their birthdays, and perhaps you will have the headstones straightened, and I will clean and scrape them, and then on Decoration Day they will put flags and flowers there, and I shall feel so proud and so respectable!"

So with Miss Mehitable's consent and aid Lonetta Luella adopted her grandfathers.

All through April the child worked every pleasant day after school hours patiently digging up witch grass and weeds from the neglected mounds and the graveled walk that ran beside them. Miss Mehitable had the sagging headstones straightened, but it was Lonetta who laboriously scraped and cleaned them till the old inscriptions were legible.

There, too, the first wild flowers were carefully transplanted, and on Sunday afternoons Miss Mehitable and Lonetta often walked there, and the child showed with delight the improvements made during the week.

"I gave Grandfather Martin all of the cowslips, for he was so fond of them, you know. Grandma says he always kept a bowl of them on the sitting room table while they were in blossom." The child lifted her eyebrows significantly and whispered, "Make believe."

"But Grandpa Edmunds liked violets best, so I've given them all to him."

The child ran on, full of mythical tales of these pseudo grandfathers who had died nearly 100 years before.

Royton, like many old towns in New England, was rich in Revolutionary lore, and in her graveyard were buried several of and in her graveyard were buried several of those, who, by dying, had helped to make the nation. But there was so much holy zeal felt for those who had died to save the nation that the Revolutionary soldiers were neglected, and Royton almost forgot that the bloodshed in 1776 was the seed that brought that eternal crop of glory in 1861.

There they lay, in an obscure part of the old cemetery, out of the line of march on Memorial Day, out of the line of men's thoughts. The sound of the life and drum stole over the hill once a year, and the odor of blossoms strewn on patriots' graves, but they were not for them!

Because of Fort Donelson and Gettysburg the glory of Bunker Hill and Saratoga had grown dim.

Lonetta worked so faithfully that when Memorial Day dawned her grandfathers' graves were in perfect order, and nothing remained to be done but to decorate the front of the shop. Miss Mehitable's hunting and flags were the best she could find in Boston, and as she impressed into her service any competent man who passed there was no lack of help.

Around the awning post Lonetta had tied bunches of lilacs and fresh green boughs, and a pitcher, without a handle, filled with snowballs, was placed on the town pump opposite.

Soon the entire population had trustfully put their keys under their front doormats and were quietly wending their way to the cemetery, while the Grand Army post fell into line—at least those who were able to walk, for poor Silas Mason lay on his invalid chair in the grocery wagon, and the old squire drove Tom Carter, with his crutches, in his own buggy.

It was a very different spirit from that which animates a Memorial Day crowd in a great city. There was much less pomp, less noise and oratory, but there was a seriousness, a depth of feeling, a homeliness, about the affair which made the spectator feel that here the ceremonies were no perfunctory matter. Their dead were their own, not the indiscriminate dead of the cities.

A sense of security and contentment filled Lonetta's heart as, with her hand in Miss Mehitable's, she walked to the soldiers' monument. She belonged to someone. She had a name, a home, a mother, even two dead grandfathers, and her cup of bliss was full.

The little procession, with muffled drum-beat and tolling bell, came slowly to the soldiers' monument, where the townspeople had gathered. To-morrow the veterans might be carpenters, shoemakers and farmers, but for to-day they were heroes.

The church choir sang, the minister made a prayer, and then came the roll call.

Before Miss Mehitable realized it Lonetta had slipped her hand away and had run up to Captain Townsend, the officer in charge, with a bit of paper in her hand.

"If you please, sir," she said as she handed it to him, "won't you call the roll for the Revolutionary soldiers over in the old part, too? Both my grandfathers are there—that is, not my really truly grandfathers, only ones that I've adopted because they hadn't any little girl and I hadn't any grandfathers, and I've copied their names on this paper, if you'll only call them out! I'm sure they must be very lonesome way over there in the corner."

The clear little voice rang out in the silence. Filled with an absorbing emotion, the shy child became bold. There was such an intensity of appeal in her tone that the captains eyes filled with tears.

"Comrades," said he, "after this we will call the roll of the Revolutionary dead first."

The crowd, all of whom knew the child and her sad history, cheered.

"How glad they'll be!" she said, slipping back into her place beside Miss Mehitable, whose stern face was very tender as she looked at the unconscious child.

One by one the names of those valiant dead were called, and the voice of the drum was the only answer. There were not many of them, but enough to make every heart fill with pride that the little town of Royton had borne her part so bravely in that mighty struggle.

Then followed the much longer list of the civil war soldiers, and there was not a veteran there who did not feel glad that the place of honor had been given to the earlier dead. In the great heart of America there is love enough to go around.

The minister then gave an address, and his text was, "A little child shall lead them," Lonetta Luella felt the blood rush to her face when, after the address, Captain Townsend holding her hand, they marched at the head of the line to the grass grown corner, where her "grandfathers'" graves testified how much one little tender heart and two little willing hands could do.

On these and on the adjoining graves the choicest blossoms were laid and the largest flags planted.

Now when a stranger visits Royton almost the first place he is taken to is "Revolutionary Corner," which the high school boys and girls keep in beautiful order, and he hears the story how Lonetta adopted her grandfathers and how the Revolutionary heroes came to their own.—*Youth's Companion.*

REVIVAL OF AN ANCIENT JEST.

The ancient jest regarding the ditto sign was revived in Cleveland not long ago, and it loses little of its sparkle because of its age.

Into the office of a local manufacturing concern, whose product is wire and wire hardware specialties, an elderly customer from out of town recently stalked.

"This here bill," he remarked, "is wrong. You have added where you should have subtracted."

"How's that?" inquired the bookkeeper.

"You've got me charged with $20 when I don't owe you but $12," replied the stranger.

"But I don't see how you make that out," said the bookkeeper as he glanced at the bill. "Here's one item of $16 and another of $4. That certainly aggregates $20."

"Well," said the aged party, "I'm perfectly willing to stand by the bill. It's your own bill, you know, and I'll pay you just what it calls for."

"Well, it calls for $20."

"Yes, it does, added, but not subtracted."

"What in the world do you mean?"

"I mean this," said the aged patron. And he spread the bill flat on the counter. The bookkeeper glanced at it again. These are the items he read:

"Sold to Mr. Philneas T. Blank:
4 iron wheelbarrows at $4 ..... $16
1 wooden do at $1 4
$20

"Kindly tell me," said the bookkeeper, "how you figure that total any lower."

The aged customer's eyes flashed triumphantly.

"Easy," he cried. "Here you've charged me with four wheelbarrows, $16. That's all right. And then right below you say that one wouldn't do, but instead of taking off the $4 you add it on. Here's your $12."—*Cleveland Plain Dealer.*

FOG YARNS.

Talk at the mess table of the old day boat one morning at Albany turned on the fog which hung over the upper reaches of the river. The night boat had not made her dock yet, and it was really a remarkably thick morning—7:30 o'clock of a midsummer morning and still murky. So said the second pilot.

"I remember," began the pursers, "on Lake Champlain, a fog so thick you couldn't see the jack staff from the pilot-house, but old Captain Sam —— put her along all right."

"Pooh!" said the chief engineer. "We were going through a fog in Haverstraw Bay in 1874 that we ent a wake in—left it clear half a mile behind us."

"Well," remarked Mate Charley Grillin, who felt it time to say the last word, "I was on the ——in 1868, or 1869 maybe it was, off Anthony's Nose, when we ran into a fog bank that stalled the old wagon, just like a locomotive in a snowdrift; couldn't push her ahead one inch."

"My uncle in Portland, Or.," said the newsboy who had no business to say anything about fogs when his elders were about, "writes me that the other day his neighbor, Mr. Perkins, was shingling his roof when one of those Pacific coast fogs came up. Mr. Perkins shingled out four feet on the fog before he"—

But Griffin was on deck.—*New York Mail and Express.*

CAME TO GRIEF.

Mr. Topnoody went to a minstrel show last night, and the funny conundrums and jokes he heard set him thinking. So at breakfast he began on Mrs. Topnoody. She was fretful and not very much in the humor for pleasantry, but Topnoody slashed away.

"I say, Mrs. Topnoody, can you spell money with four letters?"

"No, I can't," she said.

"Ha, ha, that's good. A woman never can get at this sort of thing in the same clear headed way a man can. Well, the way to spell it is c-a-s-h. Isn't that money?"

Mrs T. failed to smile, and Topnoody started out with another.

"Wait a minute," she interrupted, "I've got one. Lets see if you can get it. Spell Topnoody with five letters."

Topnoody puckered his brows awhile and gave it up.

"Ha, ha," laughed Mrs. T., "that's good. A man can never get at this sort of thing in the same clear headed way a woman can. Well, the way to spell it is i-d-i-o-t. Isn't that Topnoody?"

"But Topnoody never smiled, and the breakfast was finished in silence, except an occasional chuckle from Mrs. Topnoody's end of the table.—*Pearson's Weekly.*

HER RUSE.

"Well," said Miss Twitters, "I think I am safe now."

"Safe from what?" asked Miss Kittish.

"Burglars."

"Were you in danger from burglars?"

"I think I was Everybody is, more or less, but more especially an unprotected lady in a big house. I have been afraid of burglars ever since John and his wife went West and left me by myself."

"What have you done to insure safety?"

"I have bought four men's hats of different styles and sizes, and I have hung them on the hat rack in the hall. When Mr. Burglar surveys the array he will decide that there are too many men in the house to make his exploit as safe as he might wish, and he will go on to some other house. I rather flatter myself that this is a pretty good plan. Don't you think so?"—*Harper's Bazar.*

"It's a wise thing never to go into a bath after a meal." "Why not?" Oh, you'd hardly find it there."—*Philadelphia North American.*

"Yes, I always give Dickie a magic lantern every Christmas." "Why do you do that?" "It keeps my husband at home for several nights trying to make it work."—*Detroit Free Press.*

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 27, 1898.

THE President has called for 75,000 more volunteers, and the quota of this state will be about 2832. It will be readily filled with men of the caliber which have represented Massachusetts upon the battlefields of this country.

THE welcome given the Sixth Massachusetts regiment on its march through the city of Baltimore last Saturday is more than significant. The injury done 38 years ago has long been forgiven and forgotten, except as a matter of history, but the cordial greeting by the citizens of the city, and the volleys of flowers received instead of stones, is a strong emphasis of the fact that these states are now one and inseparable.

GOVERNOR WOLCOTT sounded a key note in his message to the Legislature Tuesday, regarding the separation of national and savings banks, which strikes a responsive chord in the minds of all thoughtful men. The evils of too close connection in the personnel of the officers of the two institutions have often been vividly manifested, and it is the duty of the legislators, as the governor says, to the industrious citizens of the Commonwealth, to remove the danger.

THE consideration of a bill by the Massachusetts Senate to prevent the desecration of the United States flag by the placing of inscriptions upon it is very timely, and the bill should be passed. At present there is a question in the minds of many as to the propriety of the manner in which people are showing their patriotism in the display of the national colors. They are used as neckties and waist belts, hat bands, handkerchiefs and napkins. It is all well enough to wear a small flag or piece of hunting, but is it not going too far to put the national colors to the uses enumerated above? The flag is the emblem of this country and as such should be respected and loved. The very sight of it streaming in the breeze should call up within us feelings of deference, and it should be looked upon with nothing but the most hallowed reverence. The uses to which it is now being put will not tend to promote such feelings, but rather the opposite.

OWING to the strict censorship now maintained at Key West it is extremely difficult for the newspaper men to get dispatches concerning the movement of the fleets through, as all war news must suit the censor before it can pass, consequently the war news of the week has not been very exciting. It is known however, that Admiral Cervera, with the Spanish flying squadron, is in the harbor of Santiago, and that Commodore Schley is before the harbor with our flying squadron. The entrance to the harbor is only about 300 feet wide, the Spanish cannot escape unless they risk a fight, and we can get at them only with great danger, but we can be good waiters. A base on balls is as good as a hit, and if we can starve the Spaniards out it would be more effectual than sinking them, as their war vessels would be a valuable addition to our navy. The Oregon is at Key West, after making a phenomonal run, which is attracting the admiring attention of the naval men of the world, and reflects credit on the ships of our navy.

THE action of the House this week reminds one of the cow which gave a large quantity of milk but was always sure to kick the pail over before the milking was accomplished. Tuesday it did a very commendable act in refusing to pass the resolve for the proposed Legislative junket to Omaha, and merited and received the praise of the whole state of Massachusetts, but at the very next session, on reconsidering the resolve, the members put their feet square into the pail and spoiled the whole thing by passing it. The itemized account of the expenses incurred on the trip to Chattanooga in 1894, read by Representative Kenefick Tuesday, was an eye-opener, and showed that on such a trip the wanton use of the state's money is but little less than highway robbery. The sum of "$178.20 for apollinaris water," "$320 25 for cigars," "$23 for fans," etc., etc., are outrageous, and the fact that the performance is to be repeated is an injustice to the taxpayers of the commonwealth and a deliberate steal. A stout fight was made against the passing of the resolve, and those who voted against it deserve the thanks of all.

THE real significance of Memorial Day is brought home to our minds more forcibly at this time than ever before. Through the many years of peace which this country has enjoyed, the younger generation of our citizens has never known what war really is. They have formed some idea of its cost in life and money from the reading of history, and have imagined its horrors as they have heard the stories told by the surviving veterans, but their conception of war has been very imperfect. But now that we are engaged in a war with a foreign nation, and that our friends, relatives, brothers and husbands are leaving home and marching to the front, we see the matter in an altogether different light. The patriotism, the willingness to die, if need be, for the flag of America, which our soldiers are now displaying, is the same that was possessed by the present veterans of the Grand Army in '61. Considered in this light, perhaps, the value of their loyal services and costly sacrifices may be more fully realized. Heroes, they are, who saved this nation, and this Memorial Day, sacred to their memory, will be observed by many with more of its real spirit than on previous occasions. In some suitable and fitting manner, let all join in the observance of the day.

THE MASS. SIXTH AT BALTIMORE.

The Story as Told by a Wilbraham Young Man, an Eyewitness.

S. Francis Howard, now a student of Johns Hopkins University, was an eyewitness of the reception of the Mass. Sixth regiment at Baltimore last week, and writes the following interesting account of the same in a personal letter to his mother, Mrs. M. S. Howard of Wilbraham:

During the year I have read a book which was of great interest to me, "Baltimore on the 19th of April, 1861." It was written by Judge Brown, who was mayor of Baltimore at the time, and was later a teacher in Hopkins. It gives a very accurate description of the coming of the Sixth Regiment of Massachusetts, and of its march between the two stations. You know the story and circumstances probably, but I got the details of it all and read the letters from Lincoln to Brown and to the governor, etc. Rocks, bullets and jeers were the implements of the reception.

Yesterday the same Massachusetts Sixth went through the city and marched from the Mt. Royal to Camden station. They formed in front of Mt. Royal station under a steady fire of cheers and flowers. The station was decorated with flags and red, white and blue streamers. A box containing some sandwiches and flowers was given to each man by order of the mayor, and a banquet was tendered the officers. A few brief speeches were then made, the last by the colonel of the regiment, ending with "God be with you till we meet again." I should have said that in each box was a card on which was written in substance: "Baltimore welcomes you, not with bullets, but with roses. Massachusetts and Maryland united. Boston and Baltimore joined in the same cause." The boys then marched for a mile and half, and all along the course flowers and flowers were thrown down upon them from the windows above. Cheers and yells were all around them, and in short, the Massachusetts boys were right royally welcomed by 10,000 Baltimoreans en masse, and many were on the the streets and in windows.

With that hook in my mind I was nearly wild with joy. Roses in place of bullets; carnations instead of rocks; cheers in place of jeers. I have been and am and always shall be proud of the dear old state of Massachusetts. But I am also proud that I came to Maryland. She showed her spirit yesterday in a manner that we Yankees ought never to forget. I wish you all could have seen it.

PALMER NEWS.

THEIR GOLDEN WEDDING DAY.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Knox Celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Their Marriage.

Fifty years ago last Saturday was the wedding day of John King Knox and Elthina Merrick Fay, and last Saturday a number of their friends called on them at their home with F. A. Ruggles at Three Rivers to remind them of the event, if a reminder was necessary. The visit was in the nature of a surprise, and was a complete success, and friends from Three Rivers, Springfield, Palmer and Monson were present during the day to offer congratulations to the worthy couple. They were also the recipients of a number of valuable presents. Mr. Knox is a descendant of John King Knox, the first white settler in Palmer, and was born May 22d, 1824. Mrs. Knox was formerly a resident of Monson, and was born Sept. 22d, 1822. Mr. Knox has always lived in Palmer until about seven years ago, when he went to Three Rivers. Three children were born to them, two surviving, Mrs. F. A. Ruggles of Three Rivers and Mrs. E. G. Ward of Springfield. During the day a picture of the gathering was taken, showing children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and friends, with Mr. and Mrs. Knox occupying places of honor in the center, and is reproduced herewith.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Knox's Golden Wedding Party at Three Rivers.

Memorial Day Programme.

The 30th of May again draws near, and throughout the country the memory of the nation's defenders in '61-'65 will be fittingly honored. The observance of the day by the local Grand Army post will be the same as in former years. The post will meet at 8 o'clock Monday morning, and escorted by C. W. Cross camp, Sons of Veteraus, will form a line of march to the cemeteries in Three Rivers, Four Corners, Thorndike and Palmer, where the graves of their sleeping comrades will be decorated. After the exercises in the Thorndike street cemetery the procession will return to the hall, where dinner will be served by the Woman's Relief Corps. In the afternoon at 2 o'clock exercises will be held in the hall, with an address by Ex-Gov. D. H. Chamberlain of West Brookfield. The public is cordially invited to these exercises. Music will be furnished by the Columbian Band of Thorndike, and a quartette composed of E. B. Taylor, W. A. Weld, Rev. C. R. Minard and C. S. Wood will sing in the cemeteries and at the exercises in the hall. The following selections will be rendered: "Welcome, Grand Army Men," by Loud; "Our Flag," by Johnson; "Decoration Day," by Perkins; "We Gather Here With Reverence," by Coe; "The Furlonged Anuy," by Ward; "Flowers of Peace," by Ward.

Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock there will be a memorial service in the Baptist church at Three Rivers, with a sermon by E. A. Thomas. L. L. Merrick Post, G. A. R., the Woman's Relief Corps, and C. W. Cross camp, Sons of Veterans, will attend in a body. The post and corps will leave Memorial Hall at 4 p. m. for Three Rivers. The following is the programme of the service:

March,	Selected
Chorus,	"Te Thee, O Country."
Lord's Prayer.	
Chorus,	"Low in the Ground They're Resting."
Psalm.	
Male Quartette,	"Keller's National Hymn."
Scripture Reading.	
Chorus,	"Union and Liberty."
Prayer.	
Male Quartette,	"Let the Dead Rest."
Hymn,	"Mauoah."
Sermon,	"The Old Flag and the New Gospel."
Hymn,	"America."
Benediction.	
March.	

A Short Visit From the Soldiers.

Being so far removed from the active theatre of the war, until recently, were it not for the newspapers with their big, bold "scare heads," we would hardly know that such a thing as a war was going on. But when the soldiers pass through the town on their way to the front we are forcibly reminded that such is the case. Last Saturday evening the first regiment, Vermont volunteers, passed through on the New London Northern railroad on their way to New London, from whence they were to take the boat. A very large crowd was at the station to welcome the soldiers, the platform being crowded its whole length. The troops arrived in four sections. The first carried provisions, and during its stop two soldiers were kept busy giving out hard tack to those who wished it as a souvenir. The other three sections contained the troops and stopped while coffee was served. Each section was warmly greeted. Souvenirs were exchanged, and there are probably huttons enough in town to equip a regiment, judging from the number which were cut from the uniforms by the soldiers. The "Green Mountain" boys were hardy looking, and can be depended upon to give a good account of themselves should they run up against the Spaniards. The regiment was in command of Col. Osman Dewey Clark, a cousin of Admiral Dewey.

Athletic Field Day Sports.

With favorable weather the field day to be held on the driving park under the auspices of the Eastern Hampden Athletic Club next Monday promises to be quite an attraction for the people of this and the surrounding towns. Special rates have been secured on the Boston and Albany railroad. From Westfield and intermediate stations from the west, Spencer and intermediate stations from the east, and Gilhertville and intermediate stations on the Ware River road, the rates are to be fare and one-third for the round trip. Among the events are a 300-yards hose race, a 135-yards handicap foot race, and a 100-yards scratch race, hag-punching exhibition by Dan Murphy of Connecticut, a one-mile special match bicycle race between W. J. Knowlton of Palmer and F. W. Ruggles of Ware, and slack wire performances by Prof. LaNortown. The hose team race promises to be interesting, as entries have been received from the teams in Chicopee Falls, Northampton, North Adams, Turners Falls, Spencer, Ware, Westfield, Bellows Falls, Vt., Hindsdale, N. H., and Bristol, Ct. The match bicycle race between Knowlton and Ruggles will be an event of interest. This race will be paced by C. I. Whitcomh on a Racycle.

No Appointment Yet.

Another week has gone by and as yet there is no appointment to the judgesbip of the district court. There was a report Tuesday that C. G. Gardner had withdrawn his name, but it is now definitely understood that this is not the case. Considerable influence is being brought to bear by Springfield parties on Senator Leach to induce him to accept the position provided he is named, but Mr. Leach is in no sense a candidate, and does not care for the place, even should he be appointed, which is unlikely, as it is understood to he Governor Wolcott's policy not to take a man from the Legislature. It is also understood that the governor is inclined to the appointment of Mr. Gardner, but that the pressure brought to bear from other Springfield sources has delayed the sending in of his name.

B. and A. Change of Time.

A change of time on the Boston and Albany railroad will go into effect Sunday at 5 p. m., which will affect the arrival and departure of several trains at this station. The train from the west which now arrives at 8 42 p. m. will arrive at 8 35. The 1.13 p. m. train from the east will not stop here, but a new train is to leave Springfield at 1.15, which will arrive here at 1 39. On the Ware river road the train now arriving at 10 40 will arrive at 9 53, leaving Ware at 9 25 instead of 10 10 as formerly. The special Sunday train on this road will make its first run Sunday, leaving Barre for Palmer at 4.55 p. m., and leaving Palmer for the return trip at 6.55. The special Sunday trains to and from Springfield are not scheduled to run until June 5th.

J. W. Shanks of St. Albans, Vt, was in town yesterday.

Clerk of Courts A. E. Fitch has disposed of his driving horse.

The King's Daughters met with Mrs A. L. Hills Tuesday.

Dr. Bancroft has been confined to the house this week by illness.

J. E. Waite of Philadelphia visited friends in town Wednesday.

Miss Mabel Burke of Nerwich is visiting her aunt, Mrs. C. D. Holbrook.

Mrs. Hawley Keith is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Warreu, in Milford, N. H.

Letters are advertised at the post office for George Dixson and M. A. Thompsou.

Mrs. C. A. Royce has been visiting at the home of her mother in Chesham, N. H.

Mrs. R. A. McQuaid of Chatham, N. Y., was the guest of Mrs. G. W. Camp Sunday.

Mrs. Fred Allen of New London has been the guest of Mrs. F. N. Carpenter this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Manning have commenced housekeeping in the Comuercial block.

Iron hitching posts have been placed in front of the Couverse property on Main street.

Miss Carrie Hillman of Helyoke was a guest at the home of C. N. Coleman Sunday.

Louis K. Cross of the Boston University Medical School is home for his summer vacation.

The season at Forest Lake garden will he opened Monday with the usual attractions.

Mrs. L. A. Ahbey and Mrs. S. A. Whiton of Milford are guests at the home of E C. Buffington.

Rev. C. H. Sweet of Pittsfield preached in the Advent chapel Tuesday and Wednesday evenings.

Mrs. G. S. Holden, with her son Roger, has returned from a visit at her former home in Ann Arbor, Mich.

Harold Shaw will attend the anuiversary banquet of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity at Amherst this evening.

Miss Faunce of Brooklyu, a former teacher in the high school, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. McGregory.

There will he a regular communication of Thomas Lodge, F. and A. M., in Masonic Hall next Monday evening.

At the Baptist church next Sunday morning there will be preaching by Rev. C. R. Minard. Subject, "The making of a Christian."

The Palmer Quartette, Messrs. Taylor, Weld, Minard and Wood, will sing at a memorial service in Wilbraham Sunday afternoon.

Ray W. Buflington gave a party to 26 of his young friends at his home last Saturday afternoon. The event was held in honor of his 9th birthday.

The Young Men's Bible Class of the Baptist church and their friends will have a bicycle run to Monson next Monday afternoon. The start will be made at 5 o'clock.

A bill poster for Ringling Brothers show covered some paper belonging to the Eastern Hampden Athletic Association yesterday. The managers of the association recovered the board this morning.

Supt. of Schools A. C. Thompson is to occupy the house of Mrs. J. D. Blanchard on Park street, which is to be vacated soon by George W. Lyman, who is to remove his family to Springfield.

Jas. Goodrich's wagon shows exhibited on the Converse lot on Commercial street Saturday afternoon and evening, there being a small attendance at both performances. A street parade was given at noon.

A social will be held in the Baptist church vestry this evening by the Ladies' Society, at which cake and ice cream will be served. An entertainment, consisting of musical and literary numbers, will he given.

The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor of the Congregational church will hold a social in the church vestry at 7.30 o'clock this evening. "A Mystery Tea" will he served and a musical programme rendered.

Asa C. Williams was given six months in the house of correction at this morning's session of the district court. Williams has been on probation for some time but did not keep soher, so was brought into court and sentenced.

There will be preaching in the Universalist church next Sunday morning by Rev. O. G. Petrie. Subject, "Reincarnation." In the evening at 7 o'clock will be the regular meeting of the Y. P. C. U. Subject, "Our nation's heroes."

The annual strawberry festival by the ladies of the Universalist church was held in the chapel Wednesday evening, and was largely attended. The national colors abounded in handsome decorations, and each patron was given a flag.

The pastor of the Congregational church will preach Sunday morning on "Times of trial in the Christian life," and in the evening on "Let's be men in war and in peace." An offering will be made Sunday morning for Rev. E. A. Paddock's work in Idaho.

The senior class of Storrs Agricultural College, Storrs, Ct., has invited Rufus W. Stimson, formerly of Palmer, to deliver the baccalaureate sermon Commencement Sunday, June 12. Mr. Stimson is instructor in English at the college, and has accepted the invitation.

The Eagle Athletic Associatiou's baseball tossers went to Bondsville Saturday afternoon and played a game with a team in that village. The Eagles were in fine form and after a sharp conflict, like the American eagle at Manila, they perched on the banner of victory. Score, Eagles 14, Bondsvilles 11.

The Ladies' Society of the Congregational church will give a social and supper in the church vestry next Wednesday evening. Supper will he served by Mmues. G. A. Bills, W. H. Brainerd, W. W. Converse, S. C. Hunt, G. A. Keith, H. Lawrence, H. McGilp. Strawberries and ice cream will also be on sale.

The rain which began Monday and has continued steadily siuce has knocked out the work on the electric road, and it will not be ready for next Mouday, as was hoped. The officials decline to set a date when the cars will begin running, on account of the weather, and will take auple time to have everything in first-class shape when they do start.

Ringling Brothers' big show will exhibit in Springfield next Thursday afternoon and evening. The Boston and Albany railroad will sell excursion tickets at a low round trip rate. Tickets will he good on all regular trains. The circus train will leave this station at 9.58 a. m., arriving in Springfield in time to allow excursionists to witness the street parade.

Rev. F. E Jenkins of the Congregational church returned from his Southern trip last Friday evening. Sunday evening he delivered a very interesting sermon upon "The flag and the cross in the new South," using facts which he gathered on his trip. In the morning the pulpit was occupied by Rev. E. A. Paddock, who spoke concerning missionary work in Idaho.

The Woman's Relief Corps will hold a regular meeting next Friday evening at 7 30 o'clock. The meetings of the Corps are hereafter to be held in the evening. People having flowers which they are willing to give for use on Memorial Day may leave them at Memorial Hall to-morrow afternoon.

The flowers will be greatly appreciated for use in the decoration of the soldiers' graves.

Exercises appropriate to Memorial Day were held in the high school building during the last period of the school's session to-day. The following programme was rendered:

"Star Spangled Banner,"	School
Reading,	May Fiske
Declamation,	Clifton Hobson
Song, "Give,"	School
Reading,	May Wilder
Declamation,	Frank Dillon
National Memorial Hymn,	School

The office of the street railway company has been connected by telephone, and the number is 10-21. The office of C. P. Haynes at Three Rivers is also to be connected. Patrons who have occasion to talk with Monson people will bear in mind that commencing with yesterday that exchange will he open until 10 o'clock evenings, and on Sundays from 9.30 to 10.30 a. m , and from 5 to 6 p. m.

The selectmen and school committee will hold a joint session in the office of the school committee in the high school building Monday, June 6th, at 3 p. m., for the purpose of electing a member to fill the vacancy in the school hoard caused by the resignatiou of Rev. R. E. Smith, formerly of Bondsville, now of Spencer. The member so elected will hold office until the end of the current official year.

Louis Sherman, who has charge of the dynamos of the Central Massachusetts Electric Company located in the Slater Engine Company's shop at Warren, received a shock last Friday evening which rendered him unconscious for several minutes. The shock received by Mr. Sherman was evidently slight, as no marks were made on his body by the electricity, and he was able to resume his work the next evening.

John F. Caryl of Stafford was arrested at the station by Officer Justin Friday evening and taken before the district court the next morning. A present of thirty days in the house of correction was given him by Judge Shaw. Tuesday morning the same officer had another drunk before the court, who was given sixty days at the same institution. Oliver LaSalle also appeared on a charge of druukeuness and was placed on probation for thirty days.

The pupils in the public schools have placed their signatures upon blanks which are to be placed in a vault to be constructed underneath the monument which is to be erected to the memory of the men who went down with the battleship Maine in Havana harbor. It is designed to place all the signatures of the pupils in the schools of the United States in this vault, and yesterday was fixed as the day for signing, and was known as "Maine Day."

Fifteen patients were received at the epileptic hospital Tuesday, making the present number now there about 20. The institution is now in running order with a full complement of attendants, and patients will arrive constantly. Preaching service was held at the hospital last Sunday afternoon, Rev. F. S. Hatch of Monson having charge. Next Sunday afternoon the service will he conducted by Rev. F. E. Jenkins of the Congregational church of Palmer.

Alfred Smith met with another accident Saturday evening. While returning from Monson he collided with a team driven by Arthur Foskit and was thrown heavily to the ground, cutting his head and severely bruising his shoulder. His bicycle was badly smashed. Smith was attempting to pass a team in front going in the same direction, and as he turned to the left to do so he ran into Mr. Foskit's team which was passing the other. He was attended by Dr. Hendee.

Overseer of the Poor William Merriam received a letter this week from Rigglesville, N. J., thanking him for the promptness with which he notified the parents of William Craighead, who was killed on the railroad near Blanchardville last Wednesday evening, of his death, and for the excellent care which the body received while it was in his charge. The letter also stated that the work of Undertaker Loomis gave the highest satisfaction. On its arrival in Rigglesville, the body was examined by the local undertaker, who spoke highly of Mr. Loomis's work. Craighead's funeral was largely attended, the letter said, there being about 500 people present at the services in the church.

The high school hall team went to Ware last Friday afternoon to play the ball team of the high school in that town. They sustained the spotless record which they have made so far this season and won by a large score, 19 to 4 Nine runs were scored in the first inning. Ware scored two runs in each of the first two innings, and was then blanked the rest of the game. Palmer now leads the league, having won three games and lost none. Brimfield and Ware have failed to win a game yet. Palmer and Ware will play on the driving park next Friday afternoon. The score of Friday's game by innings:

P. H. S.	2	1	0	3	0	4	1	1	0	—19
W. H. S.	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	— 4

Batteries, Riley and Shaw; Holmes and Clifford. Hits, Palmer 15, Ware 6. Errors, Palmer 6, Ware 9.

Thomas H. Smith and John B. McCoole, two of the drunken apple peddlers who attacked West Brimfield Saturday, May 7th, and were arrested by Deputy Sheriff Northrop and given six months in the house of correction, were again before the district court yesterday morning. They took appeals from the sentence and in default of securities went to awalt trial. Arriving in Springfield they learned that their cases would not come before the superior court until September, so they asked permission to withdraw their appeals. It was granted and an officer brought them before the court here and they received sentence, three months each on a charge of drunkenness, and a like sentence for disturbing the peace.

The three upper rooms in the grammar school building held exercises in observance of Memorial Day at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Past Captain L. H. Hendee of C. W. Cross camp, Sons of Veterans, was present and addressed the scholars. The pupils rendered the following interesting programme:

Song, "Battle Hymn of the Republic."		
Recitation,	Robert Barton,	"Our Duty,"
Recitation,	Ella Webster.	"Memorial Day,"
Recitation,	Lizzie McGuire.	"The Regiment Baby,"
Recitation,	Lena Collis.	"A Soldier's Offering,"
Composition,	Bridget Hopkins.	"Old Concord,"
Song, "Flag of the Free."		
Recitation,	Alice Gager.	"In the Woods of Tennessee,"
Recitation,	Helen Bancroft.	"Decoration Day,"
Recitation,	Ernest Merriam.	"Our Duty,"
Recitation,	Sadie Thompson.	"Little Nan,"
Recitation,	Mary Baldwin.	"The Whistling Regiment,"
Class Work, "America."		"The Cuban War."

THREE RIVERS.

Londo's barber shop has been moved into Dunn's block.

Mrs. Hattie Dalrymple has moved to Brookfield this week.

Miss Etta Ruggles is visiting her grandmother in Fitchburg.

Mrs. F. A. Ruggles has opened the Shady Lawn Cafe for the season.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Brown spent Sunday with relatives in Springfield.

Extensive alterations and repairs are being made in Johnson's block.

Waverly, the five-years-old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Shaw, is dangerously sick.

Rev. G. S. Butler exchanged pulpits with Rev. F. S. Hatch of Monson last Sunday.

Henry C. Walker of Springfield spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. J. T. Campbell.

Horace Paine is improving the looks of his house and millinery store with a coat of paint.

The local baseball nine will play the Eafields on the home grounds to-morrow afternoon.

Miss Emma Moore, who has been working for Mrs. J. T. Geer, has returned to her home on account of ill health.

Goodrich's one-ring circus visited this place on Monday and gave two exhibitions. A large crowd was present in the evening.

The overseers of the Palmer Mill went on a fishing expedition to Five Mile Pond on Saturday afternoon. A very enjoyable time is reported.

A number of school girls will meet the Grand Army men on Monday and present them with flowers for the decoration of the soldiers' graves.

Charles Ruggles has moved the building which was formerly occupied as an ice cream room, across the street near the Young Men's Club rooms.

Although the rain has greatly hindered the work on the electric road, yet considerable progress has been made. The laying of the track in this place is nearly completed.

The First Regiment, Vermont Volunteers, Col. Clark commanding, passed through this place by four special trains on the Central Vermont railroad Saturday, en route for Chickamauga, Tenu. A large crowd greeted them at the depot.

Since the Maine incident in February, the sale of newspapers in this place has more than doubled. Before that time only one evening paper could be obtained, now there are six or seven agents, each selling from twenty to forty copies a night.

Colonel Cozens, an able speaker of the Salvation Army, will occupy the pulpit of the Union church next Sunday morning. An opportunity will be given to make an offering for the new tent, which the band is to have this summer. There will be no service at 7 o'clock at the Union church, as there will be a union service at the Baptist church at 5.

Exercises appropriate to Memorial Day were held in the public schools this afternoon. The following programme was rendered by the pupils:

Song, "Marching Through Georgia."

Recitation,	Kate Hartnett.	"Wake Them in Peace To-day,"
Recitation,	Nettie Wells.	"Decoration Day,"
Recitation,	Lila Fish.	"Our Flag,"
Reading,	Rose Andersen.	"An Incident of the War,"
Song.		
Recitation,	Eda Avery.	"Decoration Day,"

Exercise for Memorial Day.
Gladys Twegood, Gladys Paine, Ralph Alden, Raymond Alden, Frances Hartnett, Maggie Riddle, Maude Fillmore, Augusta Leveille, Aleck McKay.

Recitation,	Ray Shaw.	"Memorial Day,"
Recitation,	Arvel Saunders and Willie Daley.	"Our Flag Colors,"
Recitation,	May Senten.	"His Mother's Song,"
Song.		

Exercise for Memorial Day.
Four Girls.

Recitation,	Mary Podiuski.	"What Can Little Children Do?"
Recitation,	May Moynaham, Kitty Hartnett.	"The Children's Offering,"
Recitation,	Belle Twiss.	"Memorial Day,"
Recitation,	Nellie Hecox.	"Memorial Day,"
Recitation,	Maud Wilson.	"Drafted,"
Recitation,	Belle Herren.	"The Last Call," Mollie Hartnett "The Soldier's Dream,"
Song, "America."		
Patriotic Address,		Mr. Story

BONDSVILLE.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Childs visited relatives in Lowell over Sunday.

H. C. Rodmau of Stafford Spriugs visited his sister, Mrs. C. L. Holden, this week.

Mrs. E. A. Newell of Springfield was the guest of Mrs. E. E. Ryther a few days this week.

H. L. Ryther spent a couple of days in Enfield this week as substitute for G. L. Holdridge, station agent.

The Boston Duck Company is putting in the foundation for a large brick storehouse near the Boston and Maine depot.

An auction sale of the personal property of the late George Randall of Palmer was held in Holden's old store last Saturday afternoon.

Fakirs and side shows seem to be plenty lately. This week it is the great "African Dodger" and acrobatic performance holding forth on South Main street.

The stock of the firm of Moriarty Bros., insolvent, has been disposed of. The stock in trade has been purchased by C. L. Holden & Sons, and the horses have been sold, one to Brown Bros , and one to Mr. Loftus of Thorndike.

Very appropriate exercises in observance of Decoration Day were held in the schools this afternoon. The pupils rendered interesting programmes as follows:

GRADE 1.

"My Country's Flag,"	George Fenton
"A Daisy's Missien,"	Agues Carmody
"Longer Ago,"	Daniel Sullivan
Song, "The Little Plant."	
"The Birdie's Secret,"	Leon Collis
"Rain Drops,"	Katie Ellis
"Let Little Hands Bring Blossoms,"	School
Song, "Rock-a-Bye."	
"The President,"	Florence Fisherdick, Lewis Roberts
"Memorial Day,"	Genova Van Tassel
Marching,	School
"Our Flag Colors,"	J. Wallace Shaw
"A Spring Violet,"	Mary Mansfield
"The Dandelion,"	Gertrude Costello
"If Ever I See,"	Dorena Girouard
"Forget-me-not,"	H. Morgan Ryther
"Memorial Flowers,"	Lanra Bond
"Song, "Soldiers' Memorial Day."	
"May With Its Smile,"	Nellie Mansfield
"Bring Flowers,"	Mae Fitzgerald
"Memory Day,"	Nora Sullivan
"The Little Dove,"	Emma Fanteux
"I'll Try,"	Phileos Belisle
"The Birds,"	Nellie Fitzpatrick
Red, White and Blue,	Florence Fisherdick, Nora Sullivan, Mae Fitzgerald.
Song, "Washington."	
Song, "My Country, 'tis of Thee."	

GRADES 2, 3 AND 4.

Song, "Just Before The Battle, Mother."	
Welcome,	By Seven Girls
"The Unfinished Prayer,"	Eva Carmody
"Which Loved Best,"	Alma Mosse
"Bring Flowers,"	Jessie Bruce
"The American Girl,"	Mabel Cote
Song, "Water Drops,"	Six Girls
"Soldiers' Day,"	Group of Children
"Mamma's Kisses,"	Elsie Woolard
"Grandmothers,"	William Magee
"Decoration Day,"	Mary Quirk
"Flag Drill,"	Twelve Girls
"Our Heroes,"	Burt Collis
Song, "Little Boy Blue,"	Group of Children
"Our Fallen Heroes,"	Group of Children
"Too Many of We,"	Grace Childs
"Memorial Flowers,"	Group of Girls
"Many Flags,"	Alice Bond
"Papa's Letter,"	Nellie Sullivan
Song, "Flag of Our Country's Brave."	
"Grandpa's Spectacles,"	Warren Fisherdick
"What Can Little Children Do?"	Mildred Dustin
"A Memorial Gift,"	Group of Girls
"For Grandpa's Sake,"	Minnie Collins
Song, "Bird Life,"	Eight Girls
"Babes and Kittens,"	Laura Coto
"For My Country,"	Henry Cote
Fan Drill,	Twelve Girls
"Little Miss Brier,"	Bridget Grillin
"Our Offering,"	Group of Children
"The Blue and Gray,"	Grace Childs
"The Dead Kitten,"	Nellie Sullivan
"Roll Call,"	Ruth Armstreng
"America,"	By the School

GRADES 5, 6, 7, 8 AND 9.

Music,	School.	"My Native Land,"
Declamation,	William Arecott.	"Soldiers in Blue,"
Recitation,	Lucy Fitzgerald.	"Little Nan's Offering,"
Declamation,	Willard D. Roso.	"One Flag,"
Reading,	Lena M. Dustin.	"The Silent March,"
Exercise,	Lydia Marsan, Lizzie Russell, Elizabeth Sullivan, Nellie M. Collins.	"Decoration Day,"
Recitation,	Edith H. Childs.	"A Song for the Missing Dead,"
Declamation,	Michael Moriarty.	"Old Glory,"
Declamation,	Lester F. Alden.	"God Save the Flag,"
Recitation,	Evelyn L. Alley.	"For Decoration Day,"
Recitation,	Margaret Donovan.	"Memorial Day in the Poorhouse,"
Recitation,	Lilla Sullivan.	"The Nation's Dead,"
Declamation,	Edwin C. Lamb.	"The Picket Guard,"
Declamation,	H. Arthur Lee.	"The Soldier's Grave,"
Recitation,	Margaret Sullivan.	"The Maid of Gettysburg,"
Music,	School.	"America."

THORNDIKE.

Mrs. G. B. Williams of Millbury is visiting in town.

Mrs. G. A. Murdock has returned home after spending nearly two months with friends in Cleveland, Ohio.

John Loftus, Sr., will commence work at once on his property on Commercial street, and lit it up for a tenement.

The Salvation Army is still in town, and expects to remain the rest of the week. Several have been converted.

George Plant and bride returned from their wedding trip to Fitchburg on Saturday, and are at home to their friends on Main street.

J. B. Longwill, while at Three Rivers a few evenings ago to call upon friends, had a buffalo robe stolen from his carriage. The theft has been reported to the police, who are investigating the matter.

About 40 friends of Mr. and Mrs. Moses Lafarar called at their home on Saturday evening and gave them a very pleasant surprise. Refreshments and dancing were in order, and a good time prevailed.

A social dance will be given at Union Hall next Monday evening. Clark & Dean's orchestra of Ware will furnish music, and William Mulvaney will prompt. John F. Stokes and William Murphy will have charge of the floor.

The following Thorndike boys have enlisted in the army and are now on their way to Cuba: Daniel J. Shea with Co. I of Northampton, Thomas Chapman with a regiment from Rhode Island, James McFarlane from Denver, and Patrick Prindiville from Worcester.

The baseball season on the home grounds will open to-morrow, when the Wares will try conclusions with the home team. Brown and Longhine will be the battery for Thorndike, and Moreau and O'Keefe for the visitors. Game will be called at 3.30. Much interest is manifested in the coming contest, as it is the second in the series with Thorndike the winner of the first game.

The following programmes in observance of Memorial Day were given by the pupils of the public schools this afternoon:

ROOM 1.

Recitation,	Agnes Ella Dunham.	"Decoration Day,"
Recitation,	Florence May Healey.	"It Cannot be You do not Know,"
Concert Recitation,		"There is no Flag Like Our Own Red, White and Blue."
Recitation,	Marion Frances Williams.	"Let Little Hands,"
Recitation,	Margaret Riddle.	"A Little Daisy,"
Exercise,	Six Boys.	"Our Flag,"
Reading, "Story of the Flag."		
Saluto to the Flag.		
Song, "America."		

ROOM 2.

Recitation,	Ruth Trumble and May McKenzie.	"Memorial Day,"
Exercise,	Nine Children.	"Soldier Boy's Game,"
Recitation,	Catherine Sugrue.	"Rest,"
Song,	School.	"Rally Round the Flag,"
Exercise,	May Miller and Sadie Fleming.	"Our Flag Colors,"
Recitation,	Daniel Brosnan.	"May,"
Exercise,	School.	"Our Flag,"
Salute the Flag.		
Song,	School.	"America,"

ROOM 3.

"Origin of Memorial Day,"		Philip Fuller
"Patriotism,"		School
Song, "Memorial Day."		
"Memorial Flowers,"		
Lizzie Beveridge, Rosana St. Jacques.		
Song, "Our Flag."		
"The Children,"		Mary McGrath
"The Soldier Boy,"		Georgia Hughes
"Three Children Whom I Knew,"		Virginia Favro
Dialogue,		
Nellie Sullivan, George Gerald, Bello St. Peter, Henry Manny.		
"The Daisy's Mission,"		Alice Clark
Address to the Flag,		James Holden
"Star Spangled Banner."		

ROOM 4.

Song,	School.	"For Memorial Day,"
Recitation,	Agnes V. O'Keefe.	"Memorial Day,"
Recitation,	Peter Cahill.	"Old Ironsides,"
Recitation,	By Three Girls.	"What Flowers Shall We Bring?"
Exercises for Memorial Day,	By Eleven Pupils.	
Concert recitation,	School.	"Our Flag,"
Recitation,	Ora Girard.	"Cover Them Over,"
Song,	School.	"Rally Around the Flag,"
Recitation,	Florence A. Murdock.	"The Blue and the Gray,"
Recitation,	By Three Girls.	"For Memorial Day,"
Memorial Day Exercise,	By Eleven Boys.	
Recitation,	Ruth S. Bishop.	"The Nation's Dead,"
Recitation,	Edward J. Daley.	"Cover Them Over With Flowers,"
Concert recitation,	School.	"Our Union,"
Recitation,	Annie T. Longtine.	"The Old Grand Army Boys,"
Song,	School.	"Battle Hymn of Republic,"

Thorndikes Do Up the Wares.

The newly-organized ball team went to Ware Saturday afternoon and defeated the hall tossers of that village. At times the game was well played and at times otherwise. Both teams hit the ball hard and often, neither pitcher being much of a puzzle.

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All sons of Union soldiers are hereby cordially invited to join the line of march, although they may not belong to the organization.

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FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 27, 1898.

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

MONSON.

Academy Entries for the Amherst Athletic Meet To-morrow.

The Western Massachusetts Interscholastic field meet will take place at Amherst to-morrow. The Monson Academy Athletic Association has had poor luck for the past two years, but to-morrow the boys will go to Amherst with the determination to bring back the banner, if possible. They have been very faithful and earnest in their training, which is expected will bring good results. The entries are as follows: 100-yards dash, G. H. Converse, '98, G. F. Thacker, '98; 220-yards dash, C. H. Converse, '98, G. F. Thacker, '98; 440-yards dash, John Murphy, '99, R. H. Richards, '98, G. F. Thacker, '98; half-mile run, C. F. Blood, Jr., '99, Arthur Clements, 1900, L. Temple, 1901; one-mile run, A. Clements, 1900, C. F. Blood, Jr., '99, L. Temple, 1901; relay race, G. F. Thacker, '98, A. Clements, 1900, C. F. Blood, Jr., '99, John Murphy, '99, L. Temple, 1901, R. H. Richards, '98; 16 lb. shot put, R. P. Gavin, '98; discus, R. P. Gavin, '98, C. H. Converse, '98; 12-lb hammer throw, R. P. Gavin, '98; running high jump, H. W. Bugbee, '98, C. H. Converse, '98, Ralph Morris, '99; standing broad jump, C. H. Converse, '98; standing high jump, C. H. Converse, '98; running broad jump, H. W. Bugbee, '99; pole vault, W. N. Flynt, '99, C. H. Converse, '98; 120-yards hurdle, G. W. Ritter, '99. The railroad fare will probably be 85 cents, and all will be able to reach Amherst in time for the sports by leaving Monson on either the 7 42 or 10 20 trains, although the majority will probably go on the first train. The sports will be finished in time to arrive home on the boat train in the evening. A large number will attend from this place.

Memorial Day Programme.

If the weather is pleasant Monday will be the biggest Memorial Day Monson has ever had. The Sunday services will be held at the Universalist church at 3 o'clock, and the address will be given by Rev. Harry Blackford. The Grand Army, Sons of Veterans, and Woman's Relief Corps will attend in a body, and are requested to meet at the G. A. R. hall as early as 2 30 o'clock that afternoon. Monday morning a delegation will be sent to the cemeteries where there are but few soldiers buried, and to Moulton Hill, where services will be conducted at 10 o'clock. At one o'clock the exercises will begin at Memorial Hall, and in order that they may not be delayed the members of the Grand Army and Sons of Veterans and Relief Corps are requested to be at G. A. R. hall promptly at 12 45 o'clock. The address will be delivered by Rev. F. L. Goodspeed, pastor of the First Church of Christ, Springfield. The music will be by a chorus of about 40 voices under the direction of Prof. J. S. R Coy. The Masons, Odd Fellows, Mount Ella lodge of United Workmen, and the Ancient Order of Hibernians have accepted the invitation to unite in the exercises. After the exercises at the hall the Grand Army, Sons of Veterans and four secret societies and 54 school children will march to the cemetery, headed by the Monson Cornet Band; 74 graves will be decorated this year, 54 of them being at No. 1 cemetery. Those who have flowers are requested to bring them to Memorial Hall as early as possible Monday morning.

Death of Mrs. Luther Clark.

Mrs. Sarah M. Clark, 63, wife of Luther Clark, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. George L. Holdridge, at Enfield, Monday night. Mrs. Clark had been in ill health for some time, and about two weeks ago went to visit her daughter, thinking that the change might benefit her, but instead she grew gradually worse. The deceased had lived in Monson over twenty years and was highly respected by those who were acquainted with her. For a number of years she had been employed in the South hat shop. She leaves, besides a husband, two sons, Edward Clark of Monson and George L. Clark of Highland, N. Y., and one daughter, Mrs. George Holdridge of Enfield. Her mother also survives her. The body was brought to Monson Wednesday and the funeral was held at her late residence on South Main street Wednesday afternoon; Rev. A. R Nichols of the Methodist church officiated.

Mrs. E. H. Copeland of Northampton is visiting at Dr. P. W. Soule's.

Miss Blanche T. Lyman of Palmer spent Sunday with Miss Effie Aldrich.

A. D. Ellis lost a valuable cow this week by having it drink a quantity of paint.

S F. Cushman & Sons' branch mill and Reynolds's new mill shut down Tuesday night.

The post office hours Memorial Day will be from 7 to 10 a. m., 1 45 to 2 15, and 7 to 7 45 p. m.

In spite of the disagreeable weather Monday night, No. 1 hose company were out for practice.

Mrs. John Flynt has a geranium of the Lady Washington variety on which there are 155 blossoms.

Mrs. W. S. Best of Boston has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Squier, for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Herlihy of Middletown, formerly of this place, are visiting relatives in town.

The sociable which was to have been held at the Academy last Friday evening was postponed indefinitely.

Harry N. Howe, of the New York medical school, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Howe, on East Hill.

Harry Miller of Easthampton spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Miller, on the Hampden road.

The Y. P. C. U. of the Universalist church will give an ice cream and cake sociable at the church next Tuesday evening.

The school children are requested to carry flowers to Memorial Hall Monday morning for decorating the soldiers' graves.

Charles McKernan has taken the contract to build a cellar and foundation for W. H. Anderson's new house on State street.

Two 'bus loads of the Salvation Army converts attended a meeting of the Salvation Army at Thorndike Wednesday night.

Miss Clara Van Heynigan, who has been employed at Reynolds's straw shop the past winter, has returned to her home in West Stafford.

Rev. Charles Conklin of Springfield occupied the pulpit of the Universalist church last Sunday, in exchange with Rev. Harry Blackford.

Invitations are out for the wedding of Miss Lena M Babbitt to Charles L. Ricketts of South Manchester, to take place Tuesday afternoon, June 7th, at 3 30 o'clock.

Misses Kate Pierce and Estella Woodman have severed their connection with the Heimann & Lichten straw shop and returned to their homes at Noank and Mystic, Ct.

Commencing with yesterday the telephone exchange will be kept open till ten o'clock evenings. The exchange will also be open on Sundays from 9.30 to 10.30 a. m., and from 5 to 6 p. m.

The Masons are requested to meet at Masonic Hall Monday at 12 30 to form before going to Memorial Hall. All Masons not members of Day Spring lodge are invited to unite with them. Full regalia will be worn.

The body of Ezra P. Tucker, son of the late Joel Tucker of East Hill, was brought to Monson Wednesday afternoon for burial. The deceased was 49 years old and died at Warren Sunday after a long and painful illness.

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MONSON.

A prize dance will be given in Memorial Hall next Monday evening. Each dancer will be presented with a ticket with a number on it as they go into the hall, and the one holding the lucky number will draw a $2 prize. Music will be furnished by Brown's orchestra.

Mrs. Emily J. Green received word from Amherst this week of the death of her brother, Rev. Dr. C. L. Woodworth, who died Monday night from the effects of a shock at the age of 76. Mr. Woodworth was well known in Monson, as he had visited the town a great many times.

Eugene Hill, who during the past year has been connected with the Emerson College of Oratory at Boston, has taken a position as instructor in penmanship at the Bay Path Institute, Springfield. Mr. Hill will open a department of elocution and physical culture about Sept. 1st.

About a dozen were present at the special town meeting held in Memorial Hall last evening. Rufus P. Cushman was chosen moderator and C. M. Gage clerk; $2210 was appropriated to pay the interest on the water bond for the coming year. The two places designated for posting town warrants are in front of the Methodist church and Howe's meat market. Boards will be erected with a sort of cap over them to protect the warrants from the rain.

Owing to the rain Tuesday night the Monson Cycle League was obliged to give up its bicycle ride to Palmer, but it is planning to have a century run to Hartford and return Memorial Day. It will be made an open run, so that if there are any who wish to join who are not members of the league they can do so. The start will be made from in front of the club rooms at 7 o'clock in the morning, and they expect to be back at 7 o'clock in the evening, making a 12 hours' trip.

Dr. John L. Bacon, Jr., house surgeon of the Hahnemann Hospital in Philadelphia, was in town Tuesday, having brought fifteen patients to the new epileptic hospital, which are among the first brought to that institution. Dr. Bacon is well known in Monson, having attended the Academy, and although his home was in Brimfield he spent a great deal of time with his sister, Mrs. H. C. Norcross of this place. His many friends will be pleased to learn of his excellent success in his profession.

The third annual reunion of women formerly employed at the north straw shop will be held Wednesday, June 7th, on Flynt Park, and all are invited to be present without further notice. Those from out of town are requested to bring cake or fruit, and those in town sandwiches or money. These occasions have been very pleasant, and it is hoped that the attendance will continue to increase each year. During the day it is expected the cemetery will be visited and the graves of C. H. Merrick and R. F. Fay decorated.

LUDLOW.

The ladies of the Methodist society served a strawberry festival in the church vestry last evening. A literary entertainment was furnished by out-of-town parties.

The schools of the town held memorial exercises this afternoon, and the children were addressed by Grand Army men. Sunday morning Rev. E. D. Francis of the Congregational church at the Center will preach a memorial sermon, and the members of the Grand Army and the Sons of Veterans will attend in a body.

WALES.

Mrs. Harriet Sherman is spending a few days in Rockville, Ct., among friends.

T. J. Hynes is making extensive repairs on his newly-purchased house on Main street.

A. F. Fisher has a new arrival of refrigerators and ranges, thus prepared to keep people hot or cold.

W. Walls has been doing some daring climbing in shade trees, cutting out the broken limbs caused by the ice storm last winter.

H. E Shaw met Harry Medzker and Adelbert Mandigo in Springfield on their way to Cuba, and presented each with a box of cigars to take along with them.

WARE.

Memorial Day will be observed in the usual way. In the morning the graves of the soldiers in this village and at Ware Center will be decorated by the Grand Army and the Sons of Veterans. In the evening services will be held in the town hall, with an address by Rev. A. F. Bailey of Barre, a veteran of the Civil war.

The school children of Ware held their Memorial Day exercises in the town hall Monday afternoon. At 1.30 o'clock a line of march was formed in front of the East Congregational church and headed by the mounted guards, 1200 school children marched down East Main street to the town hall. A little after two o'clock the assembly was called to order by Supt. Hallett and the exercises commenced with the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner." A very interesting programme was then rendered by the pupils of the various schools. The members of the Woman's Relief Corps, the Grand Army, the clergymen and the town officials occupied seats upon the stage. Remarks were made by Rev. A. B. Bassett, and Rev. Fathers Boyle, Leary and Sheehan.

BELCHERTOWN.

Mrs. Clara Duncan is visiting friends in Brookfield.

Mrs. Midgley of Worcester is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Fred Dewey.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Abbey of Milford are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Blackmer.

A meeting of the castle of the Knights of King Arthur will be held Wednesday to perfect the organization.

It is understood that Dr. W. O. Barrett of Ware is to open a dental office in town, to be open Monday and Tuesday of each week.

Doras Spellman of Springfield, who has been visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Susan Porter, entertained a party of little friends last Saturday afternoon, the occasion being her fifth birthday.

A meeting of the cemetery fence committee was held last Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bridgman, and a committee appointed to purchase a new fence for Mt. Hope cemetery.

A meeting of the Current Events Society was held Monday evening at the home of Miss Alice Walker. The following papers were read: "Philippine Islands," Miss Gertrude Shaw; "Porto Rico," Miss Alice Kendall; "Our international policy," C. A. Gnild. The meetings will be discontinued until September.

HOLLAND.

Willie A. Webber has lately sold his farm.

Wesley and Albert Lilley of Stafford visited relatives in town Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. Willis returned Thursday from a trip to New York and Pennsylvania.

George Coburn, after an absence from town of several weeks, has returned to E. P. Damon's.

Ernest Bennett took a bicycle trip from Woodstock Sunday, and spent the day with his parents.

Miss Chloe Bristol of Worcester has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Will Webber, the past week.

Mrs. G. W. Bagley of Sturbridge spent last week visiting and calling on relatives and friends in town.

Mrs. John Hebard of Sturbridge, with her little son Frankie, spent a few days last week with friends in town.

Mrs. John Wetherell of Brimfield was for a few days the guest of Mrs. Smith at the home of Mr. Francis Wight.

Mr. and Mrs. Bertie Roper of Southbridge, with their daughter Lottie, recently spent several days with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Roper.

A party of bicyclists from town, among whom were Fred Bagley, Carl Howlett and Willie Bennett, took a ride a few days ago, visiting Palmer, Warren, the Brookfields and Spencer.

Lucius Back of Florence took a trip on his wheel Friday to Holland, where he has spent several days visiting old friends and schoolmates. He will visit in Mashapaug and Southbridge before returning home.

WARREN.

The three lads who took French leave from home have turned up at Boston and will return to Warren.

Mrs. William Powers has returned from Evanston, Ill., Mrs Geo. P. Ahorn and son from Dorchester, and have opened their Crescent street home for the season.

The Grand Army will attend the Universalist church Sunday. The decoration of graves will be Monday morning, and arrangements have been made for an out-of-town band.

The cemetery is being put in fine shape by the commissioners. Over 150 trees of various kinds have been planted during the past year, and many plots laid out for shrubbery. The extension has been nicely laid out, and lots are being fast taken up.

The Rural Improvement Society met in Village Hall Wednesday evening. Further plans for the season were considered. The work of the "Volunteer League" of school children is very successful, and the townspeople are already commenting on the improvement.

Ezra P. Tucker, 49, died at his home on Maple street Sunday morning, after a long and painful illness. He was a member of Quaboag lodge of Masons. The funeral was held from his late home Wednesday morning at 10 30, and burial was in Monson. During his residence in town Mr. Tucker made many warm friends, who sympathize deeply with the family in their bereavement.

BRIMFIELD.

Rev. R. J. Kyle will deliver a memorial sermon in the First church Sunday.

Mrs. Charles Tarbell and son Munroe visited several days in Springfield last week.

Mrs. Gertrude J. Phelps of Willimantic, Ct., is a guest of her uncle, William S. Janes.

Rev. Albert G. Furneiss and wife of South Wardsboro, Vt., are visiting Mrs. Rebecca Agard.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Ward of Natick, who have been spending several weeks at the home of Mrs. Warren Tarbell, returned to the city last Wednesday.

Hitchcock Academy Trustees Meet.

The annual meeting of the trustees of the Hitchcock Free Academy was held Monday. All of the members of the board were present. The treasurer's report showed that the financial standing of the school is very encouraging. The trustees whose time had expired were reelected for a term of five years—Thomas J. Morgan, James Reed Brown and Frank Lincoln Peirce. The officers of the corperation are: Francis D. Lincoln, president; Dr. E. W. Norwood of Spencer, vice president; George M. Hitchcock, clerk; Henry H. Bowman of Springfield, treasurer. The prudential committee is T. J. Morgan, G. M. Hitchcock, O. F. Brown, Salem D. Charles, F. Lincoln Peirce. Mr. Luce was reelected principal, and the resignations of Mr. Hall and Miss Dugan were received. The trustees visited the new hotel together, and expressed themselves as greatly pleased with it. It has been realized that the loss of the hotel was a misfortune to the school, as well as to the community in general, so that the erection of the present building is regarded as an aid to the school's future prosperity.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

A. E. Bell goes to Ashland, Memorial Day.

Mr. and Mrs Henry Cutler returned Tuesday from Lakewood, N. J.

Mrs. T. P. Smith of Ashfield is visiting her daughter, Miss Jennie M. Smith.

Miss E. Evelyn Bell will visit friends in Providence, going Saturday and returning Monday night.

Bert Green is slowly recovering from his operation for appendicitis, which took place five weeks ago.

Miss Jennie M. Smith is the happy possessor of a new Cresent bicycle, a present from her brother in Holyoke.

Dr. and Mrs. Speer arrived from Tennessee last week Thursday, and will occupy their mountain home thiough the summer.

E. W. Wall is slowly recovering from the operation of April 8th, and is able to walk a little about the house. He hepes soon to be out again.

Rev. H. B. Mason and family will go to Hartford next Monday to attend the commencement exercises of the Hartford Theological Seminary.

The many friends of Miss E. Eva Cunningham will be serry to learn that she is ill with scarlet fever at the Presbyterian hospital in New York. Reports from officers of the institution show her to be getting along nicely.

Rev. Henry B. Mason of Grace church will preach a sermon appropriate to the Memorial season next Sunday, and special music will be rendered by the choir. Mr. Mason will deliver the Memorial Day address at Wilbraham before the veterans.

The following from the Westport *Herald* of May 21st will be of interest to the many friends of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Cooley: "During the thunder-storm of Thursday evening, the home of M. H. Cooley, on Riverside avenue, was struck by lightning; but slight damage was done.

The ladies of Grace church held a strawberry supper in the chapel Tuesday evening, and realized about $20 A musical entertainment consisting of solos and choruses by the augmented choir was very pleasingly rendered. The church was very prettily decorated with flags and bunting for the occasion.

WILBRAHAM.

The following is the programme for commencement week at Wesleyan Academy: Friday, June 17, Upham prize declamations; Saturday evening, principal's reception; Sunday, 10 30 a. m., baccalaureate sermon by Dr. S. F. Upham of Drew theological seminary; 7 30 p. m., alumni sermon by Rev. W. I. Haven of Brookline; Monday, 2 p. m., class day; 7 45, Bond prize declamations; Tuesday, 10 a. m., award of prizes; 2 p. m., meeting of the board of trustees; 3 to 5, art reception; 8, annual concert; Wednesday, 10 a. m., anniversary oration by President E. B. Andrews of Brown University; 1 p. m., anniversary dinner; 7.30 alumni reception,

The programme for Memorial Day is: Sabbath morning the G. A. R. veterans will attend the Methodist Memorial church, where the pastor, Dr. W. Thomas, will deliver the annual sermon. Monday forenoon they will march to the First Congregational church where Rev. H. B. Mason, pastor of Grace church, North Wilbraham, will deliver an address Music will be furnished by the school children from all parts of the town, led by the cornet and under the direction of Miss M. E. Howard, supervisor of music in the public schools, and Miss Lillian Russell, supervisor of instrumental music at the Academy will act as organist. After the exercises at the church, the veterans and townspeople will proceed to decorate the soldiers' monument and the graves of the fallen comrades.

Child Lost on the Mountains.

C. C. Beebe found a small child on the Monson road Tuesday afternoon and took it to the village, thinking it one of the Main street children. F. W. Green, one of the selectmen, took it in charge and succeeded in finding, late in the afternoon, its home to be with Mr. Chapman, two miles south of the Glendale church, from which it had wandered four or five miles over the mountain alone.

CARD OF THANKS.—The undersigned wish to thank the friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted us in our recent bereavement, and for the floral gifts.

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By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Royal A. and Albert Nelson of Wales, Mass., to the Wales Savings Bank, of Wales, a corporation doing business in said Wales, dated May 1st, 1891, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the County of Hampden, Book 481, Page 81, will be sold at public auction at the dwelling house on the premises, on Friday, the twenty-fourth day of June, 1898, at two o'clock in the afternoon, for a breach of the conditions of said mortgage, all and singular, the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, namely: A certain tract of land situated partly in Wales and partly in Brimfield, containing 80 acres, more or less, with buildings thereon, bounded as follows: Beginning at the N. W. corner of the shed that stands connected with the barn on said tract; thence easterly in the S. line of a lane there being to a stake at the end of a wall; thence S. 21½° W. 18 rods and 12 links; thence S. 11° W. 21 rods and 15 links; thence S. 16° W. 36 rods; thence S. 40° E. 3 rods to stake and stones; thence S. 13° W. 12 rods and 15 links; thence S. 52° W. 4 rods and 18 links; thence S. 5° W. 8 rods to stake and stones; thence W. in the N. line of land formerly of widow Sally Nelson to the highway and across the same and onward in said N. line, and then in the east line of said Nelson land to said highway again; then northerly on said highway to the N. E. corner of said Nelson land; thence westerly in N. line of said Nelson land to stake and stones; thence northerly in east line of said Nelson to land of John Royce and Andrews heirs; thence easterly in said Andrews south line to bound of small stones on a flat rock; thence N. E. in said Andrews E. line to land formerly of Wm. Janes; thence still N. E. on said Janes to stake and stones at the S. E. corner of land formerly of D. G. Green; then easterly in the S. line of land of said Andrews heirs and Austin Andrews to aforesaid highway; then southerly, crossing said highway to the place of beginning, being the premises deeded to grantors by Orris Parker April 12, A. D., 1874, recorded with Hampden Deeds, Book 313, Page 339.

Also another tract of land situated in Wales, containing 25 acres, more or less, lying on the east side of the Hollow Road, so-called, leading from Wales to Brimfield and Palmer, it being the Byron lot and the same that was deeded grantors, Nov. 30th, A. D., 1876, and recorded with Hampden Deeds, Book 368, Page 232.

Also another lot of land in Wales, situate on the west side of said Hollow Road, and on Dimmick Hill, so called, bounded as follows: Beginning at a chestnut tree and stones on the W. side of highway, S. of where the house of Gideon Dimmick formerly stood, then W. 42° N. 61 rods to a heap of stones; thence N. 22° E. 29 rods to some stones; thence W. 19° N. 7 rods to some stones; thence N. 19° E. 30 rods to some stones; then E. 26° S. 68 rods to said highway; thence on west line of said highway to first mentioned bound, containing 23 acres and 107 rods, more or less, it being the same premises conveyed by a deed recorded with Hampden Deeds, Book 134, Page 133, and also by deed Sept. 3, 1873, by James Smith to grantors, recorded Book 304, Page 328.

Also another tract of land with buildings thereon situated in Wales, bounded on the east by land of J. M. Lyons and C. Brewer, north by the old Andrews and Parker places, west by land of B. Farrington, Old Trask place and H. A. McFarland, south by said McFarland, Trask place and Dimmick's lot, it being the premises that were formerly owned by widow Sally Nelson, deceased, and now being the place owned and occupied by the grantors and being nearly surrounded by the above three described tracts, the title of which came to the grantors by inheritance from their mother, widow Sally Nelson, deceased, hereby conveying all the premises that she owned at her decease and now occupied by said grantors.

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The gorgeous tiger lilies
That in our garden grow.

For they are tall and slender,
Their mouths are dashed with carmine,
And, when the wind sweeps by them,
On their emerald stalks
They bend so proud and graceful.
They are Circassian women,
The favorites of the sultan,
Adown our garden walks.

And when the rain is falling
I sit beside the window
And watch them glow and glisten.
How they burn and glow!
Oh, for the burning lilies,
The tender eastern lilies
The gorgeous tiger lilies
That in our garden grow!

—*T. B. Aldrich*

AMONG THE PARAGRAPHERS.

Delance met Sallie on the bridge and kissed her on the spot;
The brooklet murmured down below, but Sallie murmured not.

Mike—"Oi say, if a man is born in France, he's a Frinchman." Pat—"Sure an' if a cat had kittens in an oven, would you call them biscuits?"—*St. Paul's.*

Wife—"John! John! Get up! There's a man in the house!" Husband—"I positively refuse to allow you to remain in this room alone."—*Chicago News.*

Hojack—"Give me a paraphrase of "All is fair in love and war." Toundik—"The tactics permissible in courtship are equally allowable after marriage."—*Puck.*

A Juvenile Logician.—"Ma, is there any pie left in the pantry?" "There is one piece, but you can't have it." You are mistaken, Ma, I've had it."—*Cleveland Plain Dealer.*

"My task in life," said the pastor, complacently, "consists in saving young men." "Ah!" replied the maiden with a soulful longing, "save a nice looking one for me."—*Dublin World.*

Charming widow—"And what are you doing nowadays?" He—"Oh, amusing myself looking out for No. 1. And you?" Charming widow—"Looking out for No. 2."—*London Figaro.*

"Has my boy been a Little Defender and been kind to dumb animals today?" "Yes, grandma. I let your canary out of the cage, and when my cat caught it I set Towser on her."—*Harlem Life.*

"Gold-hunters are not to be permitted to go to the Klondike without two years' supply of food." "Gracious! If I could raise two years' supply of food I'd stay right here and enjoy myself."—*Detroit Free Press.*

Hoax—"I thought you said that man was a musician?" Joax—"Nonsense." "You certainly told me he wrote melodies." "I told you he was a composer of heirs. He manipulates soothing syrup."—*Philadelphia Record.*

Mrs. Dunnigan—"Phat ye laughin' at, Pat?"

Mr. O'Flaherty—"Oi wor just t'inkin' phat a divil of a toime there'd be av the siventeen' av March camo on tho Fourt' av July."—*Truth.*

"Good bye, wifey; if I am detained by business and not able to get home to dinner, I'll send you a telegram." Wife (frigidly)—"You needn't take that trouble. Here it is. I took it out of your pocket a while ago."—*Texas Shiftings.*

"James, my son, did you take that letter to the postoffice and pay the postago on it?" "Father, I see'd a lot of men putting letters in a little place, and when no one was looking I slipped in yours for nothing."—*The Boston Traveler.*

What's in a name? Everything. You can't begin to think how much better Snawley feels who used to be only a "night watchman" at a swimming school, since somebody called him "night commander of tho bath."—*Boston Transcript.*

"I sent a dollar last week," said the Good Thing, "in answer to that advertisment offering a method of saving one-half my gas bills." "And you got—"A printed slip directing me to paste them in a scrap book."—*Cincinnati Enquirer.*

Old Gentlemen (dictating indignant letter)—"Sir: My stenographer being a lady cannot take down what I think of you. I, being a gentleman, cannot think it; but you, being neither, can easily guess my thoughts."—*Brooklyn Life.*

"Curses, like chickens," they admonished him, "come home to roost." Now the suburbanite was nothing if not dogmatic. "Then they are likely to roost on the neighbors' piazza chairs as anywhere," he argued, with a specious air of triumph.—*Detroit Journal.*

The Deal Difficulty—"The trouble with you," said Mr. Ruffedge's wife, after a warm debate, "is that you are a confirmed dyspeptic." "No, my dear," was the answer; "that's not correct. The trouble with me is that I am a contradicted dyspeptic."—*Washington Star.*

"Nature never makes a mistake in giving the animals on the globe their appropriate location," remarked Uncle Allen Sparks. "If the Asiatic elephant, for instance, had been placed in tho north frigid zone, think what it would cost the poor creature for ear-muffs."—*Chicago Tribune.*

A small boy, Rev. D. Lambuth relates, teased his father for a watch till he was forbidden to mention the matter again. At family prayers next morning, when asked for his scripture verse, the youngster repeated: "What I say unto you I say unto all—watch."—*Chautauqua Herald.*

The Doctor—"Mrs. Brown has sent for me to go and see her boy, and I must go at once." His Wife—"What is the matter with the boy?" The Doctor—"I don't know, but Mrs. Brown has a book on "What to do Before tho Doctor Comes," and I must hurry up before she does it."—*Medical Record.*

Searching the Scriptures.—"I s'pose you got a Bible you'll let a guy look into," said one of the two tough young men who had called on the minister. "With pleasure, my young friend. If I can be of any assistance to you—" "Nah, I got to see fer meself. Dis is to decide a bet."—*Indianapolis Journal.*

Hostess (at party)—"And does your mother allow you to have two pieces of pie when you are at home, Willie?" Willie (who has asked for a second piece)—"No, ma'am." Hostess—"Well, do you think she would like you to have two pieces here?" Willie (confidently)—"Oh, she wouldn't care. This isn't her pic."—*Tit-Bits.*

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"Was he a Protestant or a Roman Catholic?"

"He was a Protestant. What—"

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As I sit in twilight, late, alone, by the flickering oak flame,
Musing on long-past war scenes,—of the countless buried unknown soldiers,
Of the vacant names, as unindented air's and sea's—the unreturn'd,
The brief truce after battle, with grim burial squads, and the deep filled trenches
Of gather'd dead from all America, North, South, East, West, whence they came up,
From wooded Maine, New England's farms, from fertile Pennsylvania, Illinois, Ohio,
From the measureless West, Virginia, the South, the Carolinas, Texas;
(Even here, in my room-shadows and half-lights, in the noiseless, flickering flames,
Again I see the stalwart ranks on filing, rising—I hear the rhythmic tramp of the armies);
You million unwrit names, all, all—you dark bequest from all the war,
A special verse for you—a flash of duty long neglected—your mystic roll strangely gathered here,
Each name recall'd by me from out the darkness and death's ashes,
Henceforth to be, deep, deep, within my heart, recording, for many a future year,
Your mystic roll entire, of unknown names, or North or South,
Ebbahn'd with love in this twilight song.

—*Walt Whitman.*

BOTANY BAY HISTORY.

The first convict fleet sailed away from England in May, 1787, called at Rio Janeiro and arrived at Botany Bay early in January, 1788. In the fleet were a 20-gun frigate, an armed tender, three storeships and six transports, far the largest fleet that ever sailed to the South sea, though the largest vessel measured only 460 tons and the smallest only 270 tons.

On the six small transports for this long tropical voyage were packed convicts numbering 561 men and 192 women. There were also carried 168 marines and 10 officers, a few surgeons and mechanics, the wives of 40 of the marines and 13 children, the offspring of convicts. Approximately 1000 persons therefore went to found the colony in the newest world less than 110 years old. Captain Philip of the British navy was placed in command of the expedition and given a commission as governor and captain general of New South Wales.

It is easier for the visitor of to-day to understand the blank dismay that Philip must have felt when the fleet sailed into Botany Bay and he saw for the first time the place which had been recommended to him as the spot for settlement. It had been selected by the advice of Captain Cook, whose botanists had been so delighted with the profusion of new plants they found there that they had given it the expressive name. Philip found on first examination that a more unsuitable site for a new settlement hardly could have been chosen. The bay was shallow, there was no good anchorage, there was no good water, and the adjacent land was not fertile, except for botanical specimens. Leaving the fleet anchored in the bay, Philip started up the coast in his tender to hunt for a better home. Nine miles to the northward he found himself facing those great gates now known as Sydney head, which Cook had seen from a distance, and, satisfied with Botany Bay, had marked on his chart as a possible harbor for small boats. Philip rounded the south head and was amazed to see opening before him the bays of Port Jackson—Snyder harbor now—famed the world over as the finest harbor in the seven seas and disputed for that distinction by few. Three days of exploration left no possible doubt that this was the place to be selected, and Philip returned at once to Botany.

The fleet was standing out of the bay, when two French frigates appeared in the offing. They bore an exploring party under Comte de la Perouse, without hostile intentions, which was an immense relief to the colonists. Botany Bay was left to the Frenchmen. They refreshed and refitted there, staying until March, and burying on shore one of their company, the naturalist of the expedition, who died of wounds received in an encounter with the natives of an island they had touched. A few months later the French expedition was shipwrecked, and every one of the crew was murdered by the natives of Vanikoro, one of the Santa Cruz islands. In 1825 a monument was erected by the French government to the memory of the commander of the expedition at Botany Bay.

This is all of the story of Botany Bay, a name long infamous because of its association with convict transportation. No convict ever was landed there no settlement ever was made there, and it never had anything more to do with the "system" than I have related. It is a circular bay, with an entrance so wide as to leave it almost an open roadstead. The shores are flat, low, sandy and uninteresting.

When I went there not long ago, the tide was out and the beach was foul with all sorts of drifts. One peninsula, which juts between the bay and the ocean, has been reserved for noxious trades, and they will elbow the obelisk erected to the memory of Captain Cook, so that in the future the bay will be no more savory than its name has been, unjustly, in the past. The French monument is at the other side of the entrance to the bay.

It was the 26th of January, 1788, when the fleet of Governor Arthur Philip entered what is now Sydney harbor. The settlement of the continent of Australia was begun.—*Chicago Record.*

WHY HE QUIT DRINKING.

A professional gentleman who was accustomed to take his morning glass stepped into a saloon, and, going to the bar, called for whiskey. A seedy individual stepped up to him and said:

"I say squire, can't you ask an unfortunate fellow to join you?"

He was annoyed by the man's familiarity and roughly told him:

"I'm not in the habit of drinking with tramps."

The tramp replied:

"You need not be so cranky and high-minded, my friend. I venture to say that I am of just as good a family as you are, have just as good an education, and before I took to drink was just as respectable as you are. What is more, I always knew how to act the gentleman. Take my word for it, you stick to John Barleycorn, and he will bring you to just the same place I am."

Struck with his words, the gentleman set down his glass and turned to look at him. His eyes were bloodshot, his face bloated, his boots mismated, his clothing filthy.

"Then it was drinking that made you like this?"

"Yes, it was, and it will bring you to the same if you stick to it."

Picking up his untouched glass, he poured its contents upon the floor and said: "Then it's time I quit," and left the saloon, never to enter it again.—*Exchange.*

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A LIST OF VEGETABLES TO SERVE WITH VARIOUS MEATS.

The correct vegetables to use with various meats are as follows:

Roast beef may be served with tomatoes prepared in all styles; baked, mashed, and roasted potatoes, baked or browned sweet potatoes; asparagus, spinach, cauliflower, lima beans.

Fillet of Beef—With stuffed tomatoes, stuffed peppers, potatoes prepared in fancy styles, asparagus heads or artichokes.

Beef Steak—Lyonnaise potatoes, French fried potatoes, plain, fried, chips, fried tomatoes, asparagus or spinach.

Mignon of Fillet—Vegetables, macedai, timbals of vegetables, potato balls.

Beef a la Mode—Carrot balls, potato balls, green peas, asparagus heads, glazed onions.

Sour Roast—Potato dumplings, stewed prunes.

Braised beef and pot roast may be served with any kind of vegetables in season.

Corned Beef—Boiled cabbage, cabbage rolls, sprouts, boiled beets, turnips, carrots, beef salad or tomato salad.

Roasted Mutton and Lamb—Green peas, string beans, Savoy cabbage, cauliflower, spinach, green corn, potatoes, white and Russian turnips, Brussels sprouts, Lima beans.

Boiled Mutton—Cabbage, string beans, white turnips, creamed Russian turnips, cauliflower, or boiled potatoes.

Lamb and Mutton Chops—French fried potatoes, baked potatoes, Lyonnaise potatoes, and plain fried, fried tomatoes, egg plant, green corn, creamed corn, stewed and boiled tomatoes or potato balls with parsley sauce.

Veal, Roasted—Spinach a la creme, potatoes mashed or plain boiled, or cauliflower au gratin or a l'Allemande, French peas, carrots a la Julienne, Brussels sprouts or asparagus.

Veal Cutlets—Tomato sauce, potato straws, French fried, mashed, baked or plain boiled; potatoes are creamed, wax beans a la creme, asparagus or spinach.

Pork, Roasted—Mashed turnips and potatoes, apple sauce, red cabbage, German style; sauerkraut, potatoes plain, boiled, or mashed, creamed corn or beans of all kinds.

Turkey and Chicken, Roasted—Cranberries, mashed turnips and potatoes, plain mashed potatoes, Brussels sprouts, creamed onions, creamed corn, chicken fricassee may be served with toast dumplings, mashed potatoes or plain boiled potatoes, creamed corn or string beans a la creme.

Ducks and Geese—Browned sweet potatoes, plain and mashed potatoes, apple sauce, baked apples, creamed onions, creamed corn, or serve with compote and salad.

Birds of all kinds may be served on toast or crontons, with lettuce salad and compote or currant jelly.

Rabbit, Roasted — Red cabbage a l'Allemande and potato croquette.

Venison—Vegetables, or with compote and salad. It is nice with currant jelly or with currant jelly sauce and crouton or small potato croquettes or red cabbage cooked with claret.

Canvasback ducks or other wild ducks are generally served with fried hominy and currant jelly.

FACTS TO REMEMBER.

If the fat begins to foam in cooking croquettes, fishballs or doughnuts it is a sign that the temperature is too low. Stop the frying for a few moments and pull the kettle to the front of the range until the proper temperature is reached. When the fat begins to smoke drop in a bit of bread. If it browns while you count sixty with the ticking of the clock it is hot enough for doughnuts and potatoes; but for croquettes, oysters and fishballs, it should be hot enough to brown the bread while counting forty.

The defacing of the polished wooden edges of the bathtub by brushes, soap, and other articles laid upon it can readily be avoided by the use of a convenient receptacle for such things, fitly named a bathtub tray. It is made of perforated white enamelled zinc of suitable size, and bound around the edge with a slat of nicely finished hardwood, thus making a framework about two inches deep. Fastened to the sides of this frame are supporting arms of the same kind of wood, sufficiently long to reach across any bathtub. In this tray can be placed all cleaning materials.

It is said that when linens are badly scorched the spot can be removed if treated in the following manner: Extract the juice from two peeled onions and put it into an agate or granite vessel. Add to it half an ounce of white castile soap cut into small pieces, and two ounces of fuller's earth. Mix them together, and then stir in one cup of vinegar. Stand the vessel over the fire and let its contents thoroughly boil. When the mixture has become cool spread it over the scorched linen and let it dry upon the cloth. When well dried wash out the linen.

Fruit stains will usually yield to boiling water, but if not, oxalic acid may be used, allowing three ounces of the crystal to one pint of water. Wet the stain with the solution, place over a kettle of hot water in the steam or in the sunshine. The instant the stain disappears, rinse well; wet the stain with ammonia to counteract the acid remaining. Then rinse thoroughly again. This will many times save the linen, which is apt to be injured by the oxalic acid. Javelle water is excellent for almost any white goods. It can be made at home or bought at any druggist's. For fresh tea and coffee stains use boiling water. Place the linen stained over a large bowl and pour through it boiling water from the teakettle, held at a height to insure force. Old tea and coffee stains which have become "set" should be soaked in cold water first, then boiling.

WOUND TREATMENT IN WARFARE.

It is quite likely that during the progress of the present war there will be entirely new experiences in the character and treatment of the wounds inflicted in battle, as compared with those of 30 years ago. Since that time the destructive machinery of the battle field has been brought to such a degree of perfection in regard to distance of range, accuracy of aim, and power of penetration, that the percentage of such as may receive slight wounds, from which recovery may be possible, will be exceedingly small in proportion to such as are destined to be killed outright. It will be a question of wholesale slaughter, in which the winner can show the greatest amount of annihilation in the shortest possible time. The mill that has the best grinding-power will be the first to receive the prize. The game is to be played with stakes in job lots. It is to be a wholesale business entirely, the mere retail exhibitions of personal bravery, individual tact, or military genius being virtually unnecessary for the desired end. The best-equipped machine-shop will turn out the most goods. Hence it will be impossible to estimate the amount of damage that may be done, or the number of lives that may be sacrificed. The wounds will be on a large scale and numerous in proportion. Especially will this be the case on the battleships under fire. Extensive lacerations from exploding shells, submarine mines and torpedoes, and splinters of steel and wood will be the rule. The wide areas of tissue involved and the corresponding intensity of shock will necessitate new rules for operative interference and new methods of surgical technic. Comparatively speaking, amputation will be more necessary than resection.

When once the danger of operation itself is past, aseptic surgery will abundantly demonstrate its opportunities. What is lost in one direction will be gained in another. Hospital gangrene, the dreadful bane of wound treatment in our late war, will be virtually impossible, and suppurating stumps will no longer propagate their poisonous influences. Intestinal surgery has also elevated itself almost to a science, and death on the field, virtually inevitable before, is now most effectually thwarted by the modern and ingeniously skilful methods of the present day. Thus, while the war may inflict larger and more dangerous wounds than ever before, there is a comfort in contemplating the compensatory balance of odds in favor of the corresponding advances in operative methods and the improved technic of wound treatment.—*Medical Record.*

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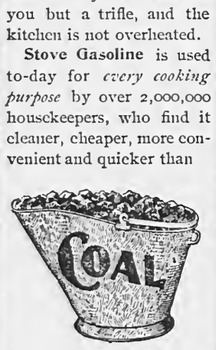

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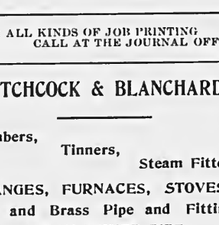

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I sit and watch the dark clouds swiftly flying,
They're drifting, ever drifting,—toward the West.

Oh, "Smiling May," the smiles are few and fleeting
Which we have seen upon thy face, this year;
With joy we hailed thy sunny May Day greeting,
But thou hast matched sad April, tear for tear.

The apple blossoms bloomed to fade and languish,
Soaked and discouraged by a "three-day's rain;"
We poor rheumatics writhe and groan in anguish,
This "East wind weather" brings us naught but pain.

Well, God rules all; no man, with all his learning
Can change what he has ordered for the best;
And I,—well, like the clouds, my thoughts are turning,
Yes, drifting, ever drifting, toward the West.

HELEN F. MOORE.

Monson, Mass., May 26th.

A VISIT TO HAWARDEN.

One of the most delightful recollections I cherish of my trip to England is that of a day at Hawarden. It happened that as my friend and I walked the walls of Chester one Sunday evening last August, we fell in with an old resident of the city who kindly pointed out many points of interest that we would otherwise have missed. As we stood at the entrance of the water tower, talking of how Cromwell shelled the city from the heights across the Dee, it occurred to me to ask in which direction lay the Mecca of the lovers of liberty, the village, park and castle

HAWARDEN CASTLE, THE HOME OF GLADSTONE.
From a Photograph by Rev. O. G. Petrie.

of Hawarden. He proudly directed our gaze toward the Welsh mountains and said that Hawarden lay six miles in that direction. He then went on to inform us that the next day was a special fête day there, it being the annual meeting of the County Horticultural Society of which Mr. Gladstone has long been a patron. There would be a Flower show, splendid music, a game of Cricket; Mrs. Gladstone would present the prizes awarded, and Mr. Gladstone would speak.

Could anything be more pleasing than such a prospect. Monday morning we were on hand at the station to claim our wheels, carelessly left at Rugby the day before. We thankfully paid the fourpence storage, mounted them, and rode away through the quaint old streets of Chester, up past the Grosvenor House where we had rested our weary bones the night before, past the curious "Rows" where the shops stand two stories high, the sidewalk in front of the better class being over the ceiling of the cheaper ones; catching a glimpse of the Cathedral up the narrow side street, noting where they found the old Roman column as they dug the foundation of a modern emporium, many feet beneath the present level of the street; so on out past the Castle, over the great stone bridge that spans the Dee, past the gateway of Eaton park, through the straggling suburbs and out into the open country. It was a hot day, the road was uneven and dusty and the ride was not specially interesting. It afforded one fine view of the old city, however, and some interesting glimpses of the Englishman on his way to a carnival. He went on foot, on clumsy bicycles, in high dogcarts, in great barges, and on the top of tally-ho coaches. And however he went he enjoyed it thoroughly. He chatted with his companion, jollied his chums, shouted at his friends as he passed, and seemed oblivious to everything but the present moment and the opportunity it afforded him for amusement.

We arrived at the park about noon but found that the gates would not be open until one. So we wandered up the crooked street, had a bottle of lukewarm ginger ale, talked with the people, and finally entered the park among the first. We locked our wheels and left them near the gate at the order of a burly policeman in whose care we were sure they would be safe. Then, camera in hand, we sauntered leisurely toward the castle. Who shall describe the beauty of an English Gentleman's park? Nature and art are so vitally related that it is hard to say whether the old ruined "keep" grew from the soil or was built in the days of long ago by the hand of man; hard to say whether the hills received their contour according to the scheme of the landscape gardener or by the happy chances of earthquake, stream, and glacier; hard to say whether the great oaks and beeches grew naturally to their splendid proportions, or were coaxed and trained by skillful hands until they assumed their present majesty.

However, one must not look too deeply into origins: here is the park thrown open to us to enjoy. Let us take pleasure in it, remembering only that it has required the thought of many owners, and the labor of many generations of servants to develope all this beauty of greensward, and spreading beech, and gnarled oak, and ivy-covered castle. Let us take pleasure in it, remembering that he whose guest we are has always held Hawarden Park in trust for the people.

We, followed the curious, interested and therefore interesting, crowd up the steep path, across the moat, and into the keep of the old Castle—now a crumbling ruin fed upon by the ivy; once the stronghold of the baron who built it and the gaol of his captive enemies. But having visited Kenilworth, in every way more magnificent, historic, and rich in romantic legend than this we did not long delay in its precincts, but "tobogganed" down the slippery turf, and turned to snap our camera—not our fingers—at its lonely but commanding figure.

We now stood in full view of the new Castle, and true to the instinct which the "Kodak fiend" implants in human hearts sought the best point for a picture. Then we turned to mingle with the people and to listen to the bands alternately playing, producing music that kept all the feet moving, and suddenly thrilling our hearts with thoughts of home, by rendering a medley of American patriotic airs, in the true Fourth of July way. Beyond the bands two white tents were spread. One of them we found, contained the display of flowers and fruit representing the skill of the gardeners and farmers of the county. There were some splendid bunches of grapes, large and lucious looking; some beautiful roses; some great speckled eggs; potatoes, beets, cabbages, what-not. Nothing really remarkable, however, though rivalling the display at our own fair. We were glad to escape from the oven-like atmosphere of the tent, spread in the broiling sun, though there were great leafy trees near, and go to recline beneath an oak to watch the cricketers. We knew nothing of the game but the movements of the players, who were almost overcome by the heat, were so leisurely that we managed by dint of inquiry to understand how the bowler was to knock down a stick if he could and the batsman was to keep him from it and get some runs into the bargain by striking the swift, uncertain, curving, bouncing ball.

Hunger now drove us to the second tent, and we regaled ourselves on a cup of tea—English breakfast, of course—some sandwiches and a tart. Others whose hunger took the form of thirst had mugs of beer, and not a few paid for glasses of fiery liquid drawn from little kegs marked "Scotch whisky" and "Rum." There was no intoxication, however, and the crowd was merry.

Now all surge toward the terrace of the new Castle, whose imposing castellated walls and towers mark the taste and care of the present owner. The terrace is laid out in rather stiff geometrical flower beds, with gravelled walks between. Members of the family, officers of the association, invited guests, men, women and children begin to issue from the central doorway, to walk about the terrace under the shade of colored umbrellas, and to take their places carelessly in the seats provided.

The crowd pressed closer, gossiped, complained about the sun, joked good naturedly, and stared hard at the doorway. I slipped out, focused the kodak, and was ready to take a picture when Mr Gladstone appeared, leaning on someone's arm, and shading his head with a straw colored umbrella. Even at a distance there was no mistaking the erect, commanding figure, the dignified carriage, the massive head of him who was in every sense—physically as well as intellectually and spiritually, a Grand Old Man. And if my eyes had not informed me who he was, my ears most certainly would have done so, for the buzzing crowd burst into round after round of welcoming applause, to which Mr Gladstone responded by bowing his bared head many times towards his insatiable and admiring tenants, neighbors and friends.

The names of prize winners were now read, and one by one they marched up the broad plank steps to the terrace—lithe little children, bent old farmers, blushing girls and stout, red-faced matrons. There they received the prizes, money in envelopes, from the hand of Mrs. Gladstone, and bowed in a hundred uncouth ways before her gracious, smiling face. Among those named was Dorothy Drew, and a sweet-faced little girl, with beautiful flaxen hair, stepped forth from the crowd on the terrace to receive the envelope and a kiss from her grandmother for having contributed one of the finest bouquets to the exhibit.

Then Mr. Toller, J. P., made a stiff and awkward little speech, in which he proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Gladstone, whose patronage had made the Association so successful and so helpful. The crowd voted unanimously, heartily, in spirit and in truth.

Now arose Mr. Gladstone to reply in behalf of himself and wife. His tongue was conversational, and his manner, though dignified, was familiar and easy. He complimented the people on their skill in the simple industries of fruit and flower raising and butter making. He aroused their pride and provoked their applause by mentioning that Mrs. Adkins took the third prize in this latter art, in competition with butter makers from all the twelve thousand parishes in England. He read a letter from a farmer in Cambridge who had profited by his advice to raise flowers. He praised the free trade policy of England "that made the products of the whole world open to the population of England without let or hindrance," and they cheered him to the echo. But he adds, "if any of those products can be raised better and cheaper I rejoice in it. When I find that twelve hundred million eggs are laid all over Europe to be imported into England, I cannot help thinking that it would be a very good thing if five or six hundred millions of those eggs were laid at home—because you may depend upon this, that the nearer an egg is laid to the place where it is consumed the better it will be." The crowd is immensely pleased with his joke and lays his suggestion seriously to heart.

They do not want him to finish. When he speaks of doing so they shout "go on," and one enthusiast roars "go on forever," whereat the speaker smiles and does go on to the most serious part of his speech. "At our time of life," he says, "it is a notable thing that we are preserved to meet you on another anniversary occasion. God knows whether it will be the last or whether it will not be. (One says, "O, a dozen more.") That is in His hands, and it is much better in His hands than it would be in ours, but whether we ever meet again or whether we do not, be assured that you carry with you from this place our hearty and affectionate good will.

"We hope to spend the remainder of our lives as we have spent, Mrs Gladstone the whole, and myself a very large part of what is past in your neighborhood, among you, sharing your joys and your sorrow, and witnessing with satisfaction and comfort every step made in advance by this place and this district. We beg you to carry with you the assurance of these good wishes, and always keep in your minds and hearts a little corner to recollect the great and real utility of these humble and unpretending but most valuable institutions, the anniversary of which we have gathered here to celebrate."

The crowd cheered, watched his retreating figure disappear through the perpendicular doorway, and then melted away, exchanging speeches of warm approval of the Grand Old Man who was to them so good a friend and neighbor. We did likewise, casting many wistful glances at the ivied walls, and stately towers, at the rolling greensward and great trees, departing reluctantly to the dusty road, the noisy city, and the weariness of travel.

One thing had impressed itself upon us, that the greatest and best citizen is he who, wherever he is identifies himself with his brethren however humble, in promoting every honest industry, every good work, every helpful charity on which the prosperity and happiness of the great nation really rest. OMER G. PETRIE.

IN OLD VIRGINIA DAYS.

In an old history of Chief Justice Marshall there is an anecdote which gives a significant hint of the discipline to which young people were subject in that earlier day.

Several of the great jurist's nieces were in the habit of visiting him, and as they were young and attractive, the house became a rendezvous for the leading young men of the city during the afternoons. Judge Marshall's black majordomo, old Uncle Joseph, held a tight rein upon these visitors. Every day at 4 o'clock he would appear at the door of the drawing room in spotless livery and would announce:

"Ladies, his honor, the Chief Justice, has retired to his room to prepare for dinner."

"Gentlemen, dinner will be served at half-past 4 o'clock. It is now 1. His honor would be pleased if you will remain, and covers have been laid for you at the table. If you cannot remain, will you permit the young ladies to retire to prepare for the meal?"

The gentlemen usually took their leave, and the ladies retired in an ill humor; but any remonstrances with Joseph was only answered by: "It is the rule of the house. Young folks must be kept within bounds."

In Virginia houses of the better class, notwithstanding their almost boundless hospitality, the calls of young men in that day were strictly held within limit. No one was received as a visitor to a girl unless his antecedents and character were well known to her parents.

If his visit was prolonged until after 10 o'clock, the invitation to family prayers was given. If he seemed likely to become an habitue of the house, and so to engage the thoughts, and perhaps in time the affection, of the young girl who was its chief treasure, her father quietly asked the purport of his visits, and, if he had none other than his amusement, courteously requested him to discontinue his call.—*Youth's Companion.*

KENTUCKY WONDERS.

Cuba cave is at the mouth of Piny creek, on the east side of Green river. There can be heard in this cave the most pitiful moans that were ever heard on earth. No man can stand it to hear them, for we have tried and know of others who have tried to stay, but we all would make our way back to our log rafts and cut loose and go down the river. This, I think, is about one mile below Mining City. The next notable object is Dismal rock, which is on the south side of Nolin river and is 128 feet high, and is slowly but surely falling across the river. We now come to the Horseshoe bend, which some day will be the most powerful waterworks in Kentucky. A canal can be cut through at the level with a fall of 15 feet, and a shaft down through the center would be equal to 500 horsepower.

On up the river about five miles we find very fine specimens of gold, which will take capital to investigate the quantity, not the quality, for it is pure. It is imbedded in the river and banks in black flint and limestone, and is 600 yards wide. Up the river three miles we find the endless cave. I have been in this cave some hundred and fifty feet. I saw all I wished to see, and I will never see that place again. Neither can I describe it, only to say to the reader that you can throw a lighted brass lamp down one hole and see it go and keep on going—it is endless. Up the river five miles farther the mammoth fish live in a bottomless hole in the center of the river. These large fish come up out of this hole in the summer season. They have been seen so large that men have struck them on their heads with canoe paddles in shallow water, but they would make their way to this deep hole, where the very muddiest water will boil up, while the water around it is perfectly clear in dry weather.—*Litchfield, (Ky.) Gazette.*

ELOQUENCES AT BAY.

It was a preacher who had that "fatal fluency" for whom an acquaintance laid a trap. He had a way of promising to preach, and on beginning would say something like "I have been too busy to prepare a sermon, but if some one will kindly give me a text I'll preach from it." One determined to cure him. He therefore asked him to preach. The invitation was accepted. The time came, and the visitor began his usual introduction: "Brethren, I have been so pushed for time to-day as to have been quite unable to prepare a sermon. But if some of you will give me a text I'll preach from it. Perhaps my brother here," turning to the plotter near him, "will suggest a text." "Yes, brother," came the ready response, "your text is the last part of the ninth verse of the first chapter of Ezra, and its words are 'nine and twenty knives.'" There was a pause, an ominous pause, as the preacher found his text. He read it out, "Nine and twenty knives," and began at once. "Notice the number of these knives—just exactly nine and twenty; not thirty, not eight and twenty. There were no more and no less than nine and twenty knives." A pause—a long pause. Then, slowly and emphatically, "Nine and twenty knives." A longer pause. Then meditatively, "Nine and twenty knives." Again he rested. "Nine and twenty knives." A dead stop. "Nine and twenty knives—and if there were nine hundred and twenty knives I could not say another word."—*Harper's Magazine.*

HOT ENOUGH.

The elderly inhabitants of a little New Hampshire town delight in stories of the ready wit of the old minister under whose preaching they sat as boys and girls over 60 years ago.

On the occasion of an "association dinner" given in the town to ministers of the county there was a liberal feast, to be followed, as was the custom in those days, by a "social pipe."

The minister had taken a spoonful of the rich pudding which closed the repast, but when the spoon reached his lips he decided that the pudding was too hot to be eaten. So he adroitly and, as he flattered himself, without being observed returned the spoonful to his plate. But one of his friends had spied him and called across the table in resonant tones:

"Brother Williams, what ails your pudding? What are you going to do with that last mouthful?"

"Save it to light my pipe with after dinner," returned Mr. Williams, not at all disconcerted.—*Youth's Companion.*

A THEORY.—Tommie—"Pa, how do storms git out?" Tompkins—"Get out? What are you driving at—out of what?" Tommie—"W'y, the weather bureau, of course! I didn't know but mebby the man left the drawer open."—*Up-to-Date.*

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 3, 1898.

TROOPS are being massed at Tampa, and several expeditions, probably for Porto Rico, Santiago and Cuba, will soon be sent out. The 2d Mass. Regiment is at Tampa, and is to be one of the first regiments to leave this country.

POOR Spain, she's having a hard time, and is experiencing the truth of the saying that "troubles never come singly." First it was Cuba, then the insurrection in the Philippines, and now with the latter lost and the former going soon there's a run on the bank of Spain which threatens to compel its suspension.

THE U. S. cruiser Columbia suffered a collision with the British steamer Foscolia off New York Sunday morning in a dense fog. A large jagged hole was stove in her starboard side, and she has been dry-docked at the Brooklyn navy yard for repairs, which will take about ten days. The Foscolia sank several hours after the collision, the Columbia standing by until she went down and rescuing her captain and crew of twenty sailors.

CAPT. SIGSBEE of the ill-fated Maine is still on deck, and with his fleet auxiliary cruiser St. Paul made a very important capture off Santiago de Cuba Wednesday morning. The British steamer Restormel is the victim, and was sighted making for Santiago harbor at full speed. The St. Paul gave chase and a shot brought her to and she was boarded by a prize crew and taken to Key West. The Restormel had on board 2400 tons of coal, which she was trying to get to Admiral Cervera's fleet bottled up in the harbor. The log of the captured vessel showed that she had intended to coal the Spanish fleet at San Juan de Porto Rico, but the presence of Sampson's squadron rendered it impossible and she was sent to Curacoa, where the Spanish flying squadron was for several days, but failed to make connections and at last attempted to meet the fleet at Santiago but came to grief at the hands of the vigilant Sigsbee.

COMMODORE SCHLEY commenced on Tuesday to pull the cork from the "bottle" in which he has closed the Spanish flying squadron by bombarding the forts at the entrance to Santiago harbor. The Massachusetts, bearing the Commodore's flag, the Iowa, the New Orleans and Vixen took part in the engagement, which lasted about an hour. The war vessels poured a destructive fire into the forts and batteries, and the Cristobal Colon, a Spanish warship located near the mouth of the harbor, was struck several times and forced to withdraw. After an hour's fighting the American ships withdrew, not having been hit once by the fire from the forts and ships of the enemy, and not sustaining loss in killed or wounded. The Spaniards fired about 300 shots and the Americans only one-fourth that number. Reports say that another bombardment has taken place. The mouth of the harbor is heavily mined, and with these death-dealing instruments out of the way our ships will probably enter the harbor and force a fight. The dynamite cruiser Vesuvius is to attempt to explode the mines with charges from her dynamite guns.

THE Springfield *Republican* of last Sunday had the following regarding the district court judgeship:

> Our guess is that the next justice of the Eastern Hampden district court at Palmer (with jurisdiction also over Brimfield, Monson, Holland and Wales) to succeed the late George Robinson, will be W. W. Leach, new senator from the 1st Hampden district. This supposition being correct, the appointment will be likely to follow closely upon the adjournment of the Legislature. That, too, would open the door to the many senatorial ambitions resident in Springfield. If Mr. Leach should take the judgeship it would stand in the way of his receiving a second term in the Senate. Now let the hustlers hustle!

As the influence being brought to bear in Mr. Leach's behalf is entirely the work of Springfield politicians it doesn't take a very long head to figure out that the "many senatorial ambitions resident" in that city are responsible for it. Mr. Leach has served the district ably and well, and both by custom and courtesy is entitled to another term, provided he desires it. He has announced that he does not care for the district court judgeship, and he very likely would like to return for another year in the Senate —it would be somewhat unnatural if he did not. Springfield has not always been as gallant as she might have been in the way of senatorial nominations from the eastern end of the district, and will hardly improve her record now by an attempt to lay Mr. Leach on the shelf by getting him appointed to a position he has no fondness for.

ON THE SUMMIT OF MT. TOM.

A Most Delightful Place to Visit on a Hot Summer Day.

A place to which one may go at any time for a short respite from the worries of business cares or the routine of household duties —a place which can be reached in a short time—is offered Western Massachusetts people in Mount Tom, the season at that resort having recently been opened. From Springfield to the foot of the mountain is a delightful ride on a hot summer afternoon in an electric car, and the ascent of the mountain could not be more easily accomplished. All that is necessary is to take a seat in a handsome car—and electricity does the rest, taking the passenger through a variety of mountain scenery before the top is reached. Past massive rocks and crags, majestic trees, fragrant and beautiful wild flowers, after a ride of nearly a mile the top is reached and a short walk only is necessary to reach the house on the very summit. This is a large, well proportioned, three-story structure, with broad, roomy piazzas about the two lower stories, a well kept cafe where excellent meals are served at times, a lunch counter, and ample arrangements for those who bring their own lunches. There is a concert hall in the second story, with an imported orchestrion, graphophones and a stereopticon. In the third story is a large observation room surrounded by windows of polished plate glass. Numerous glasses, from the handy military field-glass to telescope with four-inch objectives, are furnished for the use of visitors.

A magnificent view of the surrounding country is to be had from the summit. To the north, the west, the east, afar and near, rise the huge and majestic forms of mountains. Monadnock in New Hampshire, Wachusett, Greylock, Hoosac, Holyoke and other peaks present their massive bulks and impressive outlines. Five miles away is Northampton, the "meadow city," with the buildings of Smith College and the insane asylum in plain view. About four miles to the east is South Hadley, with the buildings of Mt. Holyoke College. Southerly, on the top of the armory tower in Springfield, can be seen the stars and stripes floating in the breeze. When the day is clear, 35 miles to the south, the shining, golden dome of the Connecticut state capitol at Hartford is plainly seen. The church spires of Rutland, Vt., New Braintree, Shutesbury, Pelham, Whately, Deerfield, Greenfield, Enfield, Westfield, Brookfield, Middlefield, Hatfield, are all visible. Numerous other towns are in view, and the whole is one grand scene of unparalleled beauty. Sunsets are always beautiful, but the gorgeous sunsets seen from Mt. Tom are peerless in their beauty. No pen wielded by mortal hand can paint the loveliness. A ruddy glow tinges the hills, the mountains are arrayed in a golden splendor, and capping all are the tinted crimson clouds floating in the the vapory azure above the mountain heights. Its grandeur surpasses description, and its wonders are never-ceasing; in fact, each succeeding visit increases in attractiveness to the visitor.

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS.

BOSTON, JUNE 2d, 1898.

The farming and transportation interests of the state are not yet in harmouy over the right width of tires for draft vehicles. The southeastern part of the state, as for years past, is very anxious for the passage of a law to compel the use of wide tires upon heavy teams. The opposition has been too strong hitherto, but this year, forewarned by repeated defeats, they presented a bill which would apply only to wagons capahlo of carrying loads of two tons. They made it take effect in 1905, in order to give the people plenty of time for changing their vehicles, or for the construction of new ones. The committee on roads and bridges reported unanimously against the bill, but its friends were able to have it substituted in the Senate in place of the adverse report and to pass it through that branch. But it had no such good luck in the House. It was ridiculed and argued against, and was finally defeated by vote of 27 to 104 This is such a defeat that it is not probable the bill will appear again until its friends have done more to change public opinion.

There is quite a move on the part of some of the overseers of the poor and of the association known as relief officers for the transfer to the state of the support of the insane poor. It is argued that they would have much better care, and that the state could do the work more economically than the cities and towns. But it is objected to the bill that it would involve the expenditure of some $150,000 to $200,000 a year more, which would have to go into the state tax, and that there would soon arise a demand for a large system of state cottages in which to care for these insane. The House substituted a bill for the adverse report of the committee on public charitable institutions, but the committee on ways and means is unanimously against it and the House killed it Wednesday.

The House debated at length the bill for the further regulation of the relation of street railways to municipalities. It was based on the report of the special committee on that subject, consisting of Charles Francis Adams, William W. Crapo and Elihu B. Hayes. This committee had labored long and carefully and produced a report which good authorities say is the best document on the subject which has ever been prepared. But it was strangely mutilated in the committee on street railways, for it was changed to be much more in the interest of the corporations and against the public than was the original bill as prepared by the special committee. The House debated the matter several hours, and then, by substantial majorities on the amendments which were offered, refused to restore the bill to the form in which it had been prepared, but kept it so as it would favor the corporations. The tax which it was proposed to levy for the sake of paying the expenses of removing snow and ice was cut down to one-quarter of what was recommended, so that whereas the average cost of removing snow and ice per year per mile of road for the street railways is $120 for the state, yet some roads will not get over $13 or $14 by the bill, and that must include not only snow and ice, but the repairs also. The bill will be debated fully on the next stage, there can be no doubt, but it seems impossible that the public can overlook the action of its representatives in playing so persistently into the hands of the corporations. One amendment offered by Mr. Myers of Cambridge was to strike out the provision that there shall be no reduction of fares as long as the corporation does not pay over 8 per cent dividends. It was said that no corporation will pay over 8 per cent under such conditions, and that the money might be paid for large salaries in order to keep down dividends. The amendment had 63 yeas to 64 nays.

The speaker is becoming uncertain about the time of prorogation. The date of May 27 was seen to be impossible almost as soon as it was mentioned. Since then nothing has been done to further the proposition till the introduction of the order, just before adjournment on Friday afternoon for forenoon sessions on and after June 1, with evening sessions on Mondays and Thursdays. Evening sessions are always bad devices. After members have spent a day in debate, they are not in condition to attend to solid work in the evening. They are listless or are disposed to take life more as a joke. Every petitioner with business to be transacted by the House may well pray to be delivered from an evening session. But the House is getting uneasy at this time of the year. The members feel that they have earned their money. They want to go home. They will not get a cent more of pay if they remain through June. So they hurry off business in the last fortnight and turn over some of it to the next Legislature and run home. It is not serving the public right, but the public is used to it and puts up with it when it would not accept such service from any other hired employes.

Boston politics have reached an active stage before the House. Mayor Quincy and several members of his cabinet and lots of Republicans and Democrats from Boston have urged the committee on rules to admit a bill for some change in the mode of electing aldermen. They made out so good a case that tacit consent was given, if the Boston members could agree upon a bill, but at a conference Tuesday night they could not come to an agreement. A paper was in circulation Wednesday.

Speaker Bates did on Wednesday what he has not done before during his incumbency of the speakership, for he came down to the floor and took part in the debate. But he did this in his true character as representative of East Boston, and he distinctly said so to the House when he began. The bill under discussion was one for the abolition of grade crossings in East Boston by depressing the tracks. The East Boston people did not want to be shut up to this one plan which the railroad companies, which opposed any settlement, might defeat, but they wanted it possible for the commission which is to have oversight of the matter to be permitted to consider also the alternative proposition of putting the tracks around the east side of the island. They wanted the commission to have the whole case, not half the case, before them. The speaker had to fight the combined forces of the Boston and Albany and the Boston and Maine railroads. It was to have been expected that he would win the complete victory which he did, for the prestige of the chair is tremendous, whether one incumbent or another. But the railroads can put their work into the Senate, while the influence of the speaker is limited to the House. The railroad committee did not surrender, even in the House, without a fight, but they stood no chance beside the eloquence and force of the speaker. Besides, he very cleverly had the right of the case.

The Senate has passed to be engrossed the bill to prevent wagering contracts, as it is called. Really it is a bill to shut up the small shops where they buy and sell stocks on margins, or the bucket shops, as they are called. It was said that this was an effort of the big gambling places, the Boston stock exchange, to shut up the little gambling places in the same business, but the bill had a small majority on its last stage. The marked feature of the House session on Thursday was the vote on the street railway bill, after a debate nearly all day, by which, by a substantial majority, they restored the bill to its original form in favor of the public rather than the corporations, as it was fixed on the first stage.

The Senate ways and means committee reports against the children's bureau bill, Senator Whittlesey dissenting.

The Senate has passed the anti-bucket shop bill, amended to include the Boston stock exchange. LANDON.

GOVERNOR WOLCOTT made one of the biggest mistakes of his life when he approved the Omaha junket steal. We had thought better of him than that; were sure he had more backbone.

PALMER NEWS.

A WELL-KNOWN RESIDENT.

Something Concerning a Figure Familiar to Every Resident of Palmer.

Everyone will recognize in the accompanying cut the familiar figure of Michael Mack, or as he is better known, "Micky" Mack, Palmer's oldest resident, whom, if he lives until next October, will be 98 years old. There has been some dispute as to his age, many believing that he is more than 100, while some have contended that he did not know how old he was, but Mr. Mack settled the matter the other day when he stated that it was easy to remember when he was born—it was in October, 1800, in Ireland; that would make him 98 years old, 50 of it in Ireland and 48 in Palmer. Mr. Mack

lauded in New London, and in his own words "walked up to Palmer in a piece of a day," to a sister's who lived here. He at once got a job on the railroad, and though the pay was small he says he was "a Paddy to work and minded what I got," and soon had a comfortable sum laid by. His savings increased until he had a no small sum for a man in his circumstances; indeed, so much had he accumulated that for years he was known as "Micky Mack, the prince of River street." While he has money in the bank more than sufficient for all his needs, besides owning valuable real estate in this village, he mourns the loss of family and friends. His wife and children are all gone, the death of his son a few years ago being a sad blow to him, though he is still kindly cared for by his daughter-in-law, who with her son lives with him. Although always a hard-working man, as the older residents of the village will testify, he has never been sick a fortnight in his life, and says that he has "never an ache or a pain" now. His familiar figure is seen on the street nearly every pleasant day, and his sprightliness, while not that of a few years ago, gives no indication of his nnusual age.

Memorial Day.

If it had been made to order, the weather on Monday could not have been more perfect for the observance of Memorial Day. The members of L. L. Merrick post, G. A. R., met at Memorial Hall at 8 o'clock, and escorted by C. W. Cross camp, Sons of Veterans, and headed by the Columbian Band of Thorndike marched down Central and through Main street, where barges were taken to the cemeteries at Three Rivers, Four Corners and Thorndike, and the graves of the dead soldiers decorated. In the Thorndike street cemetery in this village the services in memory of the unknown dead were performed and tho soldiers' graves decorated. March was then made to Memorial Hall, where dinner was served by the Woman's Relief Corps. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon exercises were held in the hall, with a very interesting address by Ex Gov. D. H. Chamberlain of West Brookfield. The Grand Army, Woman's Relief Corps and the Sons of Veterans attended a memorial service in the Three Rivers Baptist church Sunday evening, the sermon being preached by E. A. Thomas.

Athletic Field Day.

Over 1000 people attended the field day on the driving park Memorial Day, many coming from out of town. The first event was the 135-yards handicap, which was run in heats, the final being won by M. Fenton. The one-mile matched bicycle race between Knowlton of Palmer and Ruggles of Ware followed and was won by the latter in 2 40. An exhibition of bag punching was given by Dan Murphy of Waterbury, champion middle weight pugilist of Connecticut, and Prof. Norton exhibited on the slack wire. The hose team race was the feature of the day, teams from Ware, Chicopee Falls and Turner's Falls starting. The last two teams ran a dead heat and divided first money, Ware taking second. The summary:

135-yards handicap—Won by M. Fenton (18½ yds); D. Smith (13¼ yds), 2d; J. Maroney (20 yds), 3d; A. S. Norman (18 yds), 4th; time, 12 3-5s.

Mile bicycle race—Won by F. W. Ruggles; time, 2.40.

300-yards hose team race—Turner's Falls and Chicopee Falls tied, time 40s; Ware, 3d, time 41 3-5s.

Married Sixty-two Years.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Preston Potter, parents of Mrs. George Hastings of Palmer, passed the sixty-second anniversary of their marriage at the homo of their son, T. D. Potter, in Springfield, on Tuesday of last week, the celebration being a quiet one on account of the physical condition of Mr. and Mrs. Potter, who are 87 years of age. Mr. Potter was born in Willington, Ct., July 6th, 1811, and Bethia Walker six months later: on May 24th, 1836, they were married in Belchertown. Mr. Potter is unusually active in mind and body for one of his years, and gives personal attention to his property in Three Rivers, Wilbraham and Indian Orchard; Mrs. Potter is an invalid, being unable to walk, but possesses a clear mind and is an interesting talker. For many years they lived in Wilbraham, but for the last seven have resided with their son in Springfield. They have many friends in this and the neighboring towns who will wish them every happiness in their old age.

To Fill School Committee Vacancy.

The school committee and selectmen will hold a joint meeting next Monday to elect a member of the school board to fill the vacancy caused by the removal from town of Rev. R. E. Smith. As the retiring member was from Bondsville it was considered that the village was entitled to name his successor, and a delegation from the school committee interviewed the people of that place on the subject, but could not seem to find a candidate. It was then suggested that if Bondsville had no man to present the new member would he selected from the Depot village, and in about 24 hours a petition was presented, bearing the name of almost every prominent man in Bondsville, asking the appointment of C. N. Shaw, electriciau for the Boston Duck Company, and he will be chosen to the position next Monday.

C. A. Atwood spent Saturday in Rutland, Vt.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Ramsden visited Ware Memorial Day.

Mrs. Charles Roblee and daughter Gladys are visiting in New York.

Dr. J. K. Warren of Worcester called on friends in town Wednesday.

About 65 patients have been received at the epileptic hospital this week.

Bert Hunt of Springfield was the guest of his aunt, Mrs. Stratton, Monday.

There will he a Y. P. C. U. rally in St. Paul's church next Wednesday evening.

Miss Katherine Gilson of Ware was the guest of Miss Nellie McMahon this week.

A party of young people picnicked on Wilbraham Mountain Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Enos Calkins have gone to New Haven for a stay of indefinite length.

Letters are advertised at the post office for Mrs. Anna D. Winslow and John S. Lester.

The Woman's Relief Corps will hold a meeting in Memorial Hall at 7 30 this evening.

Mrs. J. J. Barker of Stafford Springs was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Samuel Ramsden, yesterday.

William P. Nolan of Putnam, Ct, was the guest of Frank J. Roche Sunday and Memorial Day.

Mrs. Crance, Mrs. Ella Sedgwick and son Willard, of Springfield, visited relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. C. A. Atwood has resumed her duties in the depot restaurant, after an illness of several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Holden of New York are visiting at the home of H. P. Holden on North Main street.

Arthur Coats and William Grady of Springfield were the guests of Miss Nellie G. Finnerty Monday.

Marcia Kudak of Thorndike was before the court yesterday morning for an assault, and was discharged.

Charles S. Hitchcock of Warren was the guest of James Fenton of the Converse House Memorial Day.

Work on the new Dutton bridge is progressing rapidly, and the road will be open for travel again soon.

Mrs. F A. Royce and Mrs Emily Holdsworth visited relatives in Turner's Falls Sunday and Memorial Day.

The selectmen will hold their regular monthly meeting in their office in the library building Monday afternoon.

A regular meeting of C. W. Cross camp, Sons of Veterans, will be held in Memorial Hall next Tuesday evening.

The Mother's Club will meet next Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. D. L. Bodfish on Park street.

Master John Brosnahan and Miss Sadie Harrison of Ware were the guests of the Misses Barrett Memorial Day.

Mrs. Mariotte of Springfield has been visiting at the home of her brother, Dr. William Holbrook, this week.

The firemen will hold their regular monthly meeting in the engine house on Park street next Monday evening.

At the Baptist church next Sunday there will be preaching by Rev. C. R. Minard. Subject, "Christian letter writing."

Mr. and Mrs. James Rohan and daughter Flossie of Springfield visited Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Wilder Sunday and Memorial Day.

Rev. F. E. Jenkins attended the anniversary exercises at the Hartford Theological Semiuary, Hartford, the first of the week.

Mrs. Leonard Whitcomb and daughter of Swanzey, N. H., were guests at William Merriam's Sunday and the first of tho week.

Mrs. F. M. Eager left for New York city Wednesday with her daughter, Mrs. Taylor, who has been visiting her parents here for a few days.

The Once-a-Week Club will have a meeting and banquet at the Converse House tomorrow evening. Several guests are to be entertained.

A quarterly meeting of the Young Men's Library Association will ho held in its rooms in the library building next Monday evening at 7.15 o'clock.

Twenty-six bicycle riders participated in the run to Monson Monday evening, under the auspices of the Young Men's Bible Class of the Baptist church.

The season at Forest Lake was opened Monday, and several hundred people were in attendance at the grounds during the afternoon and evening.

Workmen were employed Sunday in strengthening the Main street bridge over the Boston and Albany tracks for the passage of the electric cars.

The Ladies' Society of the Baptist church is to make several changes in the vestry of the church. A new steel ceiling is to be put in and the vestry painted.

John Johnson, colored, of Monson, was before the court this morning charged with disturbing the peace. He pleaded guilty and was fined $5, which he paid.

Miss Bridget I. Donahue, accompanied by her friend, Miss Lucy M. Donovan, of Nashua, N. H., spent Memorial Day with her sister, Mrs. William Manning, in Monson.

A party of Palmer young ladies, accompanied by Miss Lucy M. Donovan and Miss Mary E. Ryan of Nashua, N. H., spent Saturday visiting friends in Worcester.

Arthur Smith has resigned his position in the carpet mill and purchassd the Atchinson farm in Wilbraham. Mr. and Mrs. Smith removed to their new home Tuesday.

At the Universalist church next Sunday morning Rev. O. G. Petrie will speak upon "The world beautiful." The topic for the young people's meeting at 7 p. m. is "The Church and I."

L. L. Merrick Post, G. A. R., will hold a regular meeting in Memorial Hall next Wednesday evening. All members are requested to be present, as important business is to be transacted.

About a dozen members of the Y. P. C. U. of the Universalist church enjoyed a bicycle run to Monson Tuesday evening and attended a strawberry supper at the Universalist church in that town.

The fire department was called out Wednesday noon to extingnish a brush fire starting on the land of H. D. Converse and running onto the land recently purchased for the cemetery addition.

The 9th Mass. regiment, under command of Col. Bogan, passed through in three sections early Tuesday evening on its way to the front. There was a large number of people at the station to see the soldier boys.

Representative Kenefick presented a petition in the House Tuesday to authorize the county commissioners of Hampden county to pay to the widow of the late Judge Robinson the balance of his salary for the present year.

The pastor of the Congregational church will speak Sunday morning on "False reckoniug in life; gain that will prove loss." In the evening there will be a short sermon on "Just as I am," followed by a testimony meeting.

The third meeting of the creditors of George W. Ely, insolvent debtor, will be held June 25th at 2 30 p. m., in the court of insolvency at Springfield. At this meeting the account of Assiguee W. W. Leach will he presented.

Frank S. Keith has a record for woodchucks which it will be hard to beat. On a recent visit to relativcs on Coy Hill in Warren he shot 23 of the "pesky critters" in three days, much to the joy of the farmers in that section.

A pair of horses driven by a poddler ran away on the Four Corners road this week. When they reached the Dutton bridge, which is up while the new one is being built, they jumped into the river, but as the water is low there were gotten out uninjured.

A buncoer was in operation at the field day events on the park Memorial Day, selling $10 bills for $5. For a while he did a brisk business, finding many purchasers, but as quickly as the managers learned of his operations, he was stopped and departed.

E. D. Tufts has secured the driving park for the 4th of July and will hold a bicycle tournament. Mr. Tufts has managed several successful tournaments in Palmer, and that he is to have charge of the coming meet assures the fact that there will be good racing.

The continucd case of Officer Eugene S. Howlett of Monson for keeping an unlicensed dog came before the district court for sentence Saturday morning. A fine of $15 was imposed upon Howlett, and through his counsel, T. W. Kenefick, he took an appeal.

An iuquest on the death of William S. Craighead of Riegelsville, N. J., who was killed while walking on the tracks of the Boston and Albany railroad Wednesday evening, May 18th, will be held in the district court room next Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock.

A special meeting of the Carpet Weavers' Benefit Association was held last Friday evening to fill vacancies caused by the resignation of several officers. George Callahan was chosen president and M. J. Hopkins secretary. These newly-elected officers will act until the first of next month.

A handsomo car, containing an exhibition of Florida scenery, flowers, fruits, animals, otc., known as the official "Florida State Fair on wheels," which is making a tour of tho country, will exhibit in Palmer Saturday, June 11, at the Central Vermont railroad station from 9 a. m. until 9 p. m.

The chapel at Silver Street will be dedicated next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Eight churches in the vicinity, representing three or four denominations, have been invited to assist in the exercises, and a special programme has been prepared. An interesting occasion is probable, and the public is invited.

An interesting article on "A visit to Hawarden," the home of Gladstone, will be found on the first page. It is written by Rev. O G. Petrie of the Universalist church, who visited the place during his trip abroad last summer, and took the photograph from which the illustration accompanying the article is made.

Horsemen have long wished for an improvement of the road to North Wilbraham, and after years of waiting they were given it last year, but many of them say that they would appreciato it better now if some of the small stones were raked out. In other respects the road is in better condition than it has been for a decado.

A sign at Shearer's Corner, at the beginning of the cross road to the Thorndiko road, announces "Steam roller at work, daugerous passing." As the sign has been there nearly a year the roller must have quite a piece of the highway improved by this time, and horsemen are wondering where it is. Or can it be that the sign is a prevarication?

A number of former residents were in town Memorial Day, among them being Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Willis of Wahan, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Lawrence of Worcester, Mrs. H. J. Lawrence and Mrs. Franklin Blanchard of North Brookfield, A. E. Barlow of Worcester, Mr. and Mrs. John Helliwell of North Brookfield, Mrs. E. L. Davis of Lawrence.

The camp meeting of the Salvation Army at Forest Lake the first ten days in July promises to be a big thing. It is not to be confined to the New England Guards Band, which has for some weeks been working in this vicinity, but is being arrauged from tho New England headquarters in Boston, and it is understood that the headquarters are to be moved from Boston to Forest Lako during the time of the meetings there.

The directors of the electric road are making no delinite statement as to when the cars will begin running, but it is not unlikely that the trips to Three Rivers will commence a week from next Monday, and possibly on Saturday of next week. As soon as the track and equipment can be put in thorough shape the cars will start, and not until then. The Bondsville track from the Four Corners is well under way, and as soon as that is finished the gang will begin on the Forest Lake extension, tho rails for which have been drawn this week.

Dr. William Holbrook has offered the town a strip of land from the front of his lawn on Main street, provided it will he used to straighten the sidewalk in front of his residence. At present three largo elm trees stand in the middle of the walk and are a source of much inconvenience to pedestrians. If tho offer is accepted the walk will be made to run inside the trees and the ones now offensive will stand at the outer edge of the walk. By changing the walk thus the highway, which is quite narrow at this point, could he widened several feet.

Mrs. J. H. Woolrich's mother died at Halifax May 14th, at the age of 86. She was a great admirer of the United States, and a few days before her death remarked one morning that she had been thinking about the States during the night, and had put her thoughts into rhyme, then repeating the following, which were copied from her lips:

Unfurl Britian's flag, the pride of our nation;
Bring the Star Spangled Banner and give both their station;
But the standard of Jesus float high on the air—
With this mighty banner no flag can comparo.

The union that blndeth one heart to another,
Unite these two nations like brother to brother;
Our love for each other let no enemy sever,
But may union and peace be our metto forever.

The members of the University Association center met in the superintendent's office in the high school building yesterday afternoon for organization. Beutley L. Rice, the association organizer, acted as temporary chairman. The officers elected for the first year are: President, Rev. O. G. Petrie; vice president, Mrs. A. C. Thompson; secretary and treasurer, Miss Bessie M. Royce. The executive committee is composed of the above officers and Rev. C. R. Minard, Mrs. Rufus Flynt and A. C. Thompson. The activo work of the center will begin in September, the 19th being set as a date for the first review. The members of the Palmer center are to begin with the regular University Association course, and the present members will probably be joined in September by others interested in higher education.

THREE RIVERS.

James Campbell and Ralph Senecal have new wheels.

Miss Susie Appleby has returned to her home in Beverly.

Charles Kendrick lost a valuable dog by poisoning this week.

Miss Edith Gray spent Monday with relatives in Greenwich.

Shaw Bros. have opened a bicycle repairing department in their store.

A. A. Brown and wife visited friends in Amherst the first of the week.

Mrs. David Milliken of Lawrence visited friends here the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Burlingame and children spent Monday with N. K. Story.

Miss Mary Wilson has returned from Canada, where she has been visiting her parents.

The Y. P. S. C. E. held its monthly business meeting in the Union church Tuesday evening.

A letter addressod to Mr. Whitcomb Brother is advertised as unclaimed at the post office.

Miss Annie McConvillo of Brookfield spent a few days this week with her mother, Mrs. Hamlll.

The local W. C. T. U. held a business meeting in the rooms over the Palmer Mill office this afternoon.

There will be preaching in the Baptist church next Sunday by E. A. Thomas at 10 45 a. m. and 7 p. m.

Gilbert Forte of Springfield, a former resident, has secured a position in the clothroom of the Palmer Mill.

The weekly ladies' meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Andrew Cleland on the Wilbraham road Wednesday afternoon.

The condition of Waverly, son of H. A. Shaw, has improved somewhat during the week, causing some hopes of his recovery.

The friends of Mrs. Edith Henrichon, a former resident, will be pained to hear of her death, which occurred in Boudsville Tuesday.

H. D. Geer closed his horse radish season last week, it being the most successful he has ever had. During the season he sold 40,000 bottles of the condiment.

E. A. Thomas delivered the Memorial address to a large audience consisting of G. A. R. men, Sons of Veterans, and the Women's Relief Corps, in the Baptist church Sunday evening.

Memorial Day was as usual quietly observed in this village. In the morning the graves of the soldiers in the Thorndike street cemetery were decorated, and in the afternoon a great many went to Forest Lake, Palmer Park, and to Memorial Hall, Palmer.

The Three Rivers baseball club has arranged for a series of five games with the Thorndikes. Both villages have strong nines, and there is a great rivalry between them. The first game of the series will be played on the Three Rivers grounds tomorrow afternoon.

The local baseball nine opened the season Monday by defeating the Springfield Reserves. The score:—

T. Rivers.	r	b	po	a	o	Springfield,	r	b	po	a	e
Rycroft, 3,	0	2	1	2	0	Malone, s,	0	1	0	1	1
Conner, r,	0	2	0	0	1	Scanlon, l,	2	0	2	0	0
Sullivan, c,	0	2	12	1	1	Supern'n m,	0	2	10	0	0
Buch'nap, l,	1	2	0	0	1	Slate, 2,	0	2	2	0	2
Cone, m,	2	1	0	0	0	Crowley, 3,	0	0	1	1	1
Lane, 2,	4	3	2	2	1	McGraw, r,	0	0	2	0	0
Story, 1,	2	2	12	0	0	Blagne, 3,	1	1	2	0	0
Hamilin, p,	1	3	0	11	0	Senley, l,	1	0	4	0	0
Gorman, s,	0	0	0	1	0	Bannon, p,	1	1	12	0	0
Total,	10	17	27	20	4	Total,	5	7	24	11	4

Three Rivers, 0 0 0 2 2 1 2 3 0—10
Springfield, 1 0 0 4 0 0 0 0 0—5

Two-base hits, Lane 2, Rycroft, Conner. Double play, Lane and Story. First base on balls, off Hamilin 1, off Bannon 2. Struck out by Hamilin 10, by Bannon 10. Wild pitch, Hamilin. Left on bases, Three Rivers, 12, Springfield 12. Umpires, McBride and Shearer.

BONDSVILLE.

Thomas Quirk has purchased an Eldridge bicycle.

John B. Carmody is distributing his milk from a new milk wagon.

E. G. Childs is driving a well matched span of chestnut horses.

A new barn is being built on the premises occupied by Agent Childs.

Miss Edith Knowlton of South Acton is visiting her sister, Mrs. Charles Brown.

Mrs. Patrick Sullivan is seriously ill at the home of her son, Lawrence Sullivan.

O. A. Parent has set up on his lawn a flag pole, from the top of which floats our country's flag.

Edward Sampson, while on a bicycle ride from Springfield recently, was thrown and broke his collar bone.

Harry Ryther has resigned his position as assistant station agent, and has taken charge of the depot in Enfield.

Frank A. Brown of Three Rivers has accepted the position left vacant by the resignation of Harry Ryther.

Charles Whitekract has given up his position as second-hand in the card room at the mill and has gone to work in South Hadley Falls.

A June party will be held in Liberty Hall to-night. Dancing will be indulged in. Tomorrow night the "Cake Walkers and Specialty Company" will have the hall to give an entertainment.

The strawberry festival given by the young ladies of the Methodist church Wednesday evening was a success in every way. About $14 was raised, which will go toward the current expenses of the church.

Mrs. Alphonse Anderson, 20, died Tuesday morning at the home of her father, H. W. Ives, of an attack of appendicitis. The funeral took place Thursday from the Methodist church, Rev. H. G. Alley officiating. The interment was in Four Corners cemetery. A husband and infant child survive her.

With the revival of religious interest the Epworth League has received new inspiration. A business meeting was held last Friday evening and the following officers were elected: President, Joseph Davis; 1st vice president, Gavin Bruce; 2d vice president, Miss Mabel Ryther; 3d vice president, Harold Alley; 4th vice president, Miss Alice Armstrong; secretary, Miss Bessie Alexander; treasurer, Miss Lou Mouiton.

The baseball meeting held in Liberty Hall Wednesday evening was a complete failure, owing to the non-attendance of the people who usually support the club. The manager and players of last year's team take it rather hard that the people should fail to have an interest in the club after the excellent showing it made last year. It is highly probable now that a team will be formed of picked players of this village and Palmer, under the name of Palmers. John Conway of Bondsville will manage it. Most of their games in this town will be played on the Palmer park.

Attempted Suicide.

Memorial Day was celebrated by the Polanders in various ways. One named "Joe" ran so fast a pace that his cash soon gave out and he attempted to negotiate a loan of $10 from his friend, Lawrence Lavicto. But Lawrence was of a frugal turn of mind just then and declined the financial assistance desired. This preyed so heavily upon Joe's mind that he concluded to end his troubles then and there, so made a bee line for the lower canal and jumped in. Lawrence was as unwilling to lose his friend as he was to part with his cash, and throwing off his coat only jumped in after Joe, catching him by the collar as he was coming up for the last time. Two Americans happened to be passing and drew the two Polanders to the shore, none the worse for their wetting, but decidedly more sober.

THORNDIKE.

Miss Beatrice Andrews is visiting in Millbury.

A specialty company will be at Union Hall this evening.

The dance given at Union Hall Monday evening was well attended.

Henry Messier of Chester was the guest of his brother Horace on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Williams of Millbury have been the guests of their parents this week.

F. Granger Clark of New York has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. W. Clark.

Walter Bishop of the Thorndike Company left town Tuesday for Orange, where he will spend a part of his vacation.

Frank Hamilton of the Forest Lake district, who has been seriously ill for some time, is now slowly recovering.

The brick work on the addition to the dye house at the No. 2 mill is completed, and the carpenters are now at work putting on the roof.

Mrs. Rood of Charlton has returned to her home after visiting her daughters, Mrs. Edward Fuller and Mrs. Everett Kendall in this village.

A petition has been circulated this week among the residents of Commercial street asking the selectmen to see that the rails of the electric road are lowered.

Those who spent Memorial Day in town: John Sullivan and John Murphy from Connecticut, Dennis Crowley of Worcester, D. F. Sullivan and George Williams of Millbury, Miss Kelley of Holyoke.

Wincently Fybuski fell from the cars on Monday and dislocated his shoulder. Another Pole, employed in the carding room at the No. 2 mill, had his hand caught in the machinery the past week and as a result three fingers had to be amputated.

The New England Guards Band of the Salvation Army left here on Tuesday to commence labors in Ware. During their stay in town the boys made many warm friends. Their meetings were well attended, and it is felt that they were instrumental in doing much good. Many will be glad to welcome their return to town in July, when they will be at Forest Lake.

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Houses on the Highway.

The residents along Commercial street have had considerable to say concerning the narrowness of the road on each side of the electric tracks, and the selectmen have caused a survey of the highway's bounds to be made, the result being that several people have been found who are encroaching on the highway to various extents. Numerous sidewalks and building posts are clearly in the part of the highway which should be devoted to travel by teams, and in three or four instances it was found that piazzas were occupying a portion of the town's property. These will be removed probably, making a better condition of affairs. The highway was laid out in 1839, and but little attention seems to have been paid to the bounds in erecting buildings since.

Wares Done up Again.

The Thorndike baseball team defeated the Wares for the second time this season on the church grounds Saturday afternoon. The game was very well played and was interesting. The batting and fielding of Shaw and Fay were the features of the game. J. Moriarty, O'Keefe and Danihy played well for Ware. The score:

Thorndike.	r	b	po	a	e	Ware.	r	b	po	a	e
Riley, r,	1	1	3	1	0	Danihy, s,	1	1	1	0	0

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NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

MONSON.

Memorial Day Exercises.

Never have the Memorial Day exercises been so grand and patriotic in Monson as they were this year. The observance was commenced last Friday at the public schools, when members of the Grand Army spoke to the school children, Dr. G. E. Fuller at No. 1 school, George H. Foskit at State street, John C. Aldrich at Green street, and William J. Ricketts at No. 8. The memorial sermon was preached in the Universalist church by Rev. Harry Blackford at three o'clock Sunday afternoon, assisted in the service by Rev. F. S. Hatch and Rev. A. R. Nichols. The church was beautifully decorated with bunting, flags and plants. Monday morning the stores closed at 10 o'clock and the town had an unusually patriotic air. Every public building and nearly every residence was decorated in some form. During the morning members of the post decorated the graves in the smaller cemeteries about town where soldiers were buried, and at 10 o'clock a delegation accompanied by Rev. F. S. Hatch visited the Moulton Hill cemetery, where appropriate exercises were held. At the exercises in the afternoon Memorial Hall was crowded. At 1 o'clock the Monson Cornet Band escorted the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Mount Ella lodge of United Workmen, Odd Fellows and Masons to Memorial Hall, where the Grand Army, Sons of Veterans, Relief Corps and 60 school children under the guidance of Superintendent of Schools Mrs. C. W. Jackson, were waiting for them, and the whole body marched into the hall where seats had been reserved for them. The platform had been prettily decorated with plants, wreaths, flowers, flags and bunting by the Relief Corps. A chorus of about fifty voices under the direction of Prof. J. S. R Coy rendered three patriotic selections during the exercises, which began with the reading of general orders by Adjutant Frank C. Parke, after which Commander George A. Harvey welcomed the organizations. Prayer was offered by Rev. A. R. Nichols The address was given by Rev. F. L. Goodspeed of the First Church of Christ of Springfield, and was considered the grandest Memorial address ever given in the hall, and the applause which he received manifested the high patriotic spirit of his audience. At the close of the exercises the line of march was formed in front of the hall. The Monson Cornet Band headed the procession, after which came the Sons of Veterans, followed by the Hibernians, United Workmen, Odd Fellows and Masons, and sixty school children, the Grand Army being in the rear, making nearly 300 in line, besides carriages and bicycles. At the monument the different societies encircled the grounds and the usual service was held. From there the procession proceeded to the No. 1 cemetery, where a hollow square was formed. The post flags and a delegation was sent to the grave of Marcus Keep, and the Sons of Veterans' flag and a delegation sent to the grave of Alvin Gage. The Grand Army and Sons of Veterans, each accompanied by a child, proceeded to decorate the soldiers' graves. The procession then marched to Memorial Hall, where lemonade was served. A collation was served the Grand Army and Sons of Veterans in G A R hall by the Relief Corps.

Academy Commencement Programme.

The exercises of commencement week at the Academy will begin with the baccalaureate sermon Sunday evening, June 19th, which will be preached in the Congregational church by Rev. Dr. Bartlett, ex-president of Dartmouth College. On Monday, the 20th, public examinations will be held in the Academy, both morning and afternoon, and at 7 p. m. the class-day exercises will take place. The public commencement exercises will be held in Memorial Hall at 10 a. m. on Tuesday, the 21st; at noon will occur the alumni dinner, and at 8 o'clock in the evening the senior reception will take place in Academy chapel. The Philharmonic Orchestra of Springfield has been engaged to furnish music.

The names of those who graduate this year are: Miss Maud Aldrich, Miss Helen Pease, Miss Chella Davis, Miss Lillian Duncan, Miss Flora Markham, Miss Bertha Noble, Miss Lenora Stiles, Miss Delphene Osborn, A. J. Buffington, Harry W. Bugbee, C. H. Converse, Walter Davis, Charles P. Dow, Ernest S. Fuller, R. P. Gavin, Roger Morris, Clarence Murphy, Luther Peck, William Quinn, R. H. Richards, George Thacker, and one special student, Arthur R. Nichols. Nine will take part at the public exercises in Memorial Hall the 21st, three by rank, three chosen by the class, and three chosen by the teachers. The three by rank are Miss Maud Aldrich, valedictorian, Miss Lenora Stiles, salutatorian, and Miss Helen Pease; those chosen by the class, Ernest Fuller, C. H. Converse, Walter Davis; by the teachers, Miss Lillian Duncan, Charles P. Dow, Miss Bertha Noble.

Manchester—Howe.

A very pretty wedding took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. William N. Manchester on Gates street yesterday afternoon at four o'clock, when their daughter, Eva A., was united in marriage to Milton C. Howe. The ceremony was performed by Rev. F. S. Hatch of the Congregational church with a ring in the presence of a large number of friends and relatives. The bridesmaid was Miss Alice Morris of Monson, and the best man was Archie W. Merchant of Providence, R. I. The bride was handsomely attired in a gown of white Swiss muslin trimmed with white Valenciennes lace, and carried maiden-hair ferns and lily of the valley. The bridesmaid was dressed in yellow silk trimmed with white silk, and carried roses. The house was decorated with lawel, dogwood blossoms and potted plants. Both parties are well known and very popular. The presents were many and valuable. After the ceremony a reception was held, after which the happy couple drove to Palmer and took the boat train to connect with the boat at New London for New York, where they will remain about two weeks. On their return they will board at W. N. Manchester's until Mr. Howe's house on Main street is completed.

Cycle League's Century Run.

Five members of the Monson Cycle League started from in front of the club rooms at 7 o'clock Monday morning for the century run, F. E. Fairbank, W. S. T. Fitz, Clarence Cooley, W. N. Flynt and E. Bumstead. The route was to Hartford through Palmer and Springfield. After leaving Springfield the party crossed the South end bridge and followed the west side of the river to Hartford. From two miles beyond Springfield to Windsor Locks the road was in poor shape, and Hartford was not reached until noon. After dinner some time was spent in seeing the city, the capitol was visited and a climb made to the dome. The return trip was started at 3 o'clock, the west side of the river being followed to Windsor Locks, when the east side was taken the rest of the way to Springfield. Monson was reached by way of Palmer at 8 o'clock, no attempt at fast time having been made. All finished the run in good condition, and the pleasure of the day was unmarred by accidents.

Mrs. Frank L Shaw is visiting friends in Somerset.

J. W. Fowler has moved his family to Milford, Ct.

H. N. Butler and wife spent Memorial Day at Oakham.

Ralph Darling has taken a position with a firm in Springfield.

Miss Carrie L. Chapin visited friends in Springfield this week.

Oscar Cady and wife of Amherst are visiting at Fred E. Cady's.

The regular meeting of the Windsor Club will be held Tuesday night.

Harry Needham has taken a position in a machine shop at Winchester.

John Ingham returned Saturday from a two-weeks' trip to New Jersey.

Henry G. Rogers's house on Lincoln street is receiving a fresh coat of paint.

Miss Lottie Moulton of Springfield spent Sunday with Miss Annie Seymour.

Arthur Severy of Springfield visited his brother, Frank E. Severy, this week.

Miss Julia White of Springfield spent Memorial Day at Mrs. L. A. White's.

The marriage intentions of Miss Marcella Coyle and John F. Crowley are announced.

David B. Needham and William Needham spent Sunday with relatives in Groton, Ct.

Miss Edith Squier of Holyoke has been visiting at L. L. Squier's in Colton Hollow.

Mrs Oscar Thompson and two children of Boston are spending a month at E. L. King's.

Wesley Brown has a new Sterling bicycle, purchased through the Fitz & Walker agency.

A number of people from this place attended Ringling Brothers' circus at Springfield yesterday.

Charles L. Ricketts of South Manchester, Ct., spent the first of the week at his home in South Monson

Rev. Harry Blackford of the Universalist church will exchange Sunday with Rev. C. H. Puffer of Salem.

Dr. N. W. Rand is having a portion of his residence on Main street remodeled by Contractor Osborne.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Newton and son George of West Upton have been visiting Mrs G. H. Newton.

Miss Julia Smith of Springfield spent Memorial Day with her sister, Miss Eliza Smith on Green street.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fenton of Holyoke have been visiting at Mrs Chandler Fenton's on Main street.

Prof. A. N. Burke will entertain the senior class of the Academy at his home on North Main street this evening.

Myron Blanchard, for the past year and a half employed at Amherst, has returned to his home on Moulton Hill.

Several members of the Monson Grange attended a meeting of the district grange held at Suffield Wednesday.

Mrs. Robert McIntosh of Springfield is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Thompson in South Monson.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur King of Worcester spent Sunday and Memorial Day at Frank M. King's in South Monson.

Last Friday evening the employes of H. N. Butler presented him with a handsome foot rest and pair of slippers.

A party of young people from this place attended a meeting of the Salvation Army at Thorndike Monday evening.

In place of the sermon Sunday morning Rev. F. S. Hatch will read an original story prepared especially for his people.

Mrs. L. Hutchinson, who has been spending the past two weeks with her son, Dr. A. Robinson, at Mansfield, has returned home.

James Closson, L. W. Closson, Rufus Peck, Clarence Murphy and Eugene Manchester left to-day for State Line, where they will camp out for a few weeks.

Dr. N. W. Rand, assisted by Dr. Carmichael of Springfield, performed a successful operation yesterday afternoon upon Carlos L. Gould, bookkeeper for Theodore Reynolds.

Prof. R. H. Hitchcock of Springfield, who has a large class of violin scholars in this place, is planning to give a musical in the Academy chapel at an early date, assisted by his pupils.

John T. Lyons, Jr., for the past few years superintendent at Reynolds's new mill, has taken a similar position in a mill in Philadelphia, and will move his family there in a few weeks.

The patriotic social given by the members of the Y. P. C. U. of the Universalist church Tuesday night was well attended. Quite a number from the Palmer Union came down on their wheels.

Chief Engineer D. B. Needham of the Monson Fire Department has made his annual inspection of fire escapes in the hotels, mills and various other large buildings about the town.

Although the Academy boys did not bring back the banner from Amherst last Saturday they established three new records there. They were the hammer throw, shot put, and discus, which were made by Richard Gavin. Out of the 17 points won that day Gavin took 15 of them.

The new envelopes for the Monson Business Men's Association have arrived and are on sale at G. L. Keeney's. They are a white envelope 3½ by 6 inches, and on the back is printed brief facts in regard to the town, its location, public buildings, principal industries, school system, and many other advantages of the place.

A little excitement was caused last Friday by the detention of Peter Prue as he was about to move his family and household goods out of town. Mr. Prue owed several bills among the local merchants, E. P. Hines having a claim against him of $50. As Prue was thought to be leaving the state he was detained by an officer, and after considerable argument made a settlement and was allowed to proceed.

Prof. James H. Tufts will meet his former Bible class, and all others interested in Bible study, in the parlors of the Congregational church immediately after the morning service next Sunday. His subject will be "The Christianity of the early disciples." This will be followed by another lesson upon "The additions which St. Paul made to Christianity." Monson people realize that they cannot afford to miss these rare opportunities of learning something about the methods employed and the results reached by the first biblical scholarship.

Mr. W. W. Colburn of Springfield is to talk to the Bird Club next Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock in the Academy chapel. All who are interested in bird study are cordially invited to attend the informal lecture. It will be remembered by those who heard him that Mr. Colburn spoke here a year ago and aroused interest in the bird subject. The Bird Club has done enthusiastic work this spring, despite the rainy weather. At the last meeting eighty-six different birds were reported as having been identified this year by the various members of the club.

WEST WARREN.

John Irving of Cambridge is spending the week at his home here.

Mrs. Robert Shirley of Cleveland, Ohio, is with her mother, Mrs. Armour, who is very low.

George Barton, daughter and granddaughter of Millbury, were in town this week.

First quarterly conference this evening at the M. E. church, Dr. J. O. Knowles, presiding elder.

The Memorial Day services were well attended by our people, both at the town hall Sunday evening and the general services on Monday.

WARE.

The Salvation Army began services in the chapel Wednesday evening.

The high school ball team defeated the Hitchcock Free Academy team at Brimfield Tuesday, by a score of 31 to 4.

The following have been drawn as jurors for the civil term of the superior court June 6th: George H Corey, Augustus H Cummings, Thomas H Reunison.

Frank Bernard caught the first finger on his left hand in a machine in the dye house Saturday morning, badly splitting the member. Dr. Miner attended him.

Miss Helen Lovett, daughter of H. L. Lovett, was thrown from her wheel Tuesday afternoon, fracturing a rib and sustaining several other injuries, which are not considered serious.

Fred Bombard and Miss Mary Albertine were married by Rev. James Boyle at All Saints' church Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Louis Albertine was best man and Miss Girard maid of honor.

The Wares and Reserves of Worcester crossed bats on the pumping station grounds Monday morning. An interesting game was played, and resulted in favor of the home team. The score: Ware 7, Reserves 4.

WALES.

Rev. H. P. Smith drove a herd of fine Holstein cows to town this week.

Mrs. Lilly, who has been visiting her sons here for a week, has returned to her home in Stafford.

A large delegation of people from town visited Springfield Monday, and some of them by mistake got left over night.

The many friends of Mrs. Mabel Hogarth attended her funeral Tuesday at her home. She was a member of the Baptist church and Young Peoples' Union, and much respected by all who knew her. She leaves a husband and daughter about 4 weeks old, who have the sympathy of the community in their great loss. The Young Peoples' Union furnished a beautiful pillow of flowers, and various friends many more, making the casket a bed of bloom.

Memorial Day was observed here this year for the first time. The soldiers and citizens met at the Baptist church at 8:30 and listened to an address by Capt G. M. Stewart, then all marched to the cemeteries, the public schools and citizens joining in the procession. On returning Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lyon furnished a fine collation under the shade trees at their home for the soldiers, which was much enjoyed. In the afternoon many of the people went to Monson.

BRIMFIELD.

F. A. Lince spent Sunday in Boston.

Miss Georgena Stowell has returned to her home.

C. F. Hall spent the holiday at his home in Nashua, N. H.

The building known as the "Wheeler place" has been razed to the ground.

Most of the students went home Friday night to spend the short intermission.

Mrs. Fred Andrews and niece, Miss Gertrude, are the guests of Mr. Austin Andrews.

Miss Georgena Whitehouse has returned from Springfield, where she has been making a short visit.

At the ball game between the Ware nine and the Academy boys, the score was Ware 26, Hitchcock Academy 6.

Miss Lena Walker, Miss Phoebe Upham, Miss Carrie Bacon, Miss Jennie Livermore, Miss Olivia Kinney and her daughter, Miss Kinney, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Parker and Miss Abbie Andrews and Miss Andrews spent Memorial Day in town.

Miss Mehitable F. Sumner, 90, died Tuesday at her home in Brimfield, the residence of Oscar F. Brown. The funeral was held at the house yesterday afternoon, Rev. Mr. Kyle, pastor of the Congregational church, of which Miss Sumner was a member, officiating. Miss Sumner celebrated her 90th birthday on April 14th.

Memorial Day Observance.

The observation of Memorial Day was such as there has not been in Brimfield for a number of years. It has been the custom, lately, for the Brimfield veterans to join their comrades of the J. Arthur Johnson post in the exercises in Sturbridge; but this year it was decided to hold the exercises in Brimfield. A large delegation of the Grand Army post and Women's Relief Corps from Sturbridge was present. The soldiers' graves were decorated in the forenoon, citizens and pupils of the schools marching with the veterans and the Relief Corps to the cemetery. A collation was served at noon in the church vestry. In the afternoon there were exercises at the town hall which were largely attended. After the usual exercises of the post, Captain F D. Lincoln introduced the speaker of the day, Rev. Sylvanus Heyward of Southbridge, who gave a poem which was a survey of the progress of liberty through the ages. He was followed by Andrew Magill of the Hitchcock Academy, who according to a change in the programme gave an address which he had prepared to give at the soldier's monument. The American band of Fiskdale furnished music during the day, and in the afternoon there was singing by a quartet composed of G. M. Hitchcock, Andrew Magill, Miss Lydia B. Hitchcock and Mrs. Robert Kyle. There were exercises at the soldiers' monument by the pupils of the Center school. The decoration of the monument was unusually fine. Among the visitors from a distance were Mrs. Olivia Kinney of Leominster, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Frank King, Miss Carrie Bacon and Miss Grace Kinney of Springfield, Miss Hyde of Boston, Mrs. Fred Andrews and Miss Gertrude Andrews of Brooklyn, Mrs. Ahlie Andrews, Miss Lola Andrews and Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert of Worcester.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

Willie Connors is clerking for James Egan.

Smith of West Main street Sunday and Monday.

L. G. Stacy of Springfield and Mrs. Nellie Miss E. E. Bell returned from her visit to Providence Monday.

Mabel F. Gates and Nellie M. Morgan were home Memorial Day.

Mrs. L. E. Hawley spent the Memorial season with friends in Amherst.

Annie Clements of Mittineague was the guest of Maybelle R. Sizer Sunday.

Mrs. Nellie Buffington of Springfield visited Mrs. W. L Collins Memorial Day.

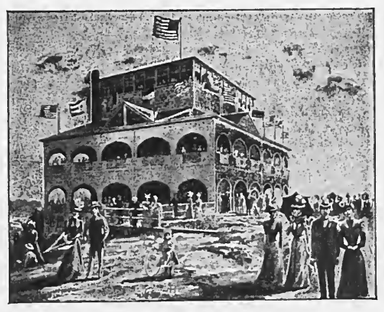
Sarah Camp of Springfield visited her cousin, Mrs. A. E. Bell, Sunday and Monday.

Howard Munsell of New York city has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Munsell.

Thomas Moran has resigned his position in Egan's grocery, and has accepted a situation in the paper mill.

Rev. Charles M. Gates went to Kennebunkport, Me., Monday to attend the funeral of his old parishioner.

Georgo P., Fannie S. and Ella R. Rice of Holyoke were the guests of Jennie M.



The House on the Summit of Mt. Tom.

Stacy of Palmer were the guests of Minnie M. Morgan during the holiday season.

The wrecker was called to North Wilbraham last Saturday, owing to the derailment of a car loaded with grain in the Cutler Company's yard.

Rev. Henry B. Mason, wife and daughter, went to Hartford Monday to attend the commencement exercises at the Hartford Theological Seminary.

Miss Pomeroy, teacher in No. 8, entertained her friend, Sarah Louise Washburn of Springfield, a teacher in the public schools of that city, Memorial Day.

Wilma F. Thomson, telegraph operator at the station, leaves next Saturday to take charge of the office in the Farragut House, Rye Beach, for the season. Lida M. Walker of East Fairfield, Me., will have charge of the North Wilbraham office during her absence.

Frank Goss, foreman of the loft at the paper mill, severed his connection with the company last Saturday and was presented with a purse of $45 by his fellow employes. Whipple B. Sanderson of Holyoke has taken the position of foreman of the loft made vacant by the resignation of Mr. Goss, and will occupy Charles E. Garviu's house on High street.

WARREN.

Fifty or more were home from East Cambridge for the holiday.

The Y. P. S. C. E. held a social at the Congregational chapel Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sibley of Holyoke were guests of Senator Fairbank over Sunday.

The ladies of the Universalist society held a cake sale in Grand Army hall this afternoon.

The ladies of the Home Missionary Society met with Mrs. Homer Tidd Wednesday afternoon.

The junior class of the high school will have a baked bean supper in Grand Army hall this evening.

Rev. Mr. Fessendon, who preached in the Congregational church last Sunday will also preach next Sabbath.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Slater and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Slater went to Hartford on a wheeling trip Memorial Day.

The Tuesday Club met with Mrs. William Lincoln Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Charles of Boston was the guest of the club.

The entertainment given at the Universalist church Monday night by the Young People's Society was very successful.

Mrs. Adelaide Kingman and Miss Kingman of Minneapolis, who have been spending the winter in Washington, are guests of Mrs. George Shumway.

Memorial Day passed off very successfully. A large crowd gathered at Main street to see the flag raising, after which the procession went to the cemetery. The Boys' Brigade made a very good appearance, the West Brookfield Band furnished music, and a short address was made at the cemetery by Rev. Nelson Porter of West Warren. Music was furnished by a male quartette and a chorus of school children.

The funeral of Henry B. Bosworth was held at his late home on Main street this afternoon. Mr. Bosworth has been a long-time resident of Warren. He was born in Petersham, but was engaged in the tanning business here for many years. He attended the Universalist church, and was one of the oldest members of the local lodge of Masons. A wife, a daughter, Mrs. Frederick Sylvester, and a brother, Mr. John Bosworth, survive him.

WILBRAHAM.

H. M. Bliss has been reappointed a justice of the peace.

Miss Lula Spiller has accepted a position as teacher in a Springfield school. Miss Spiller has been a teacher in district No. 1 for the past three years.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Smith of Palmer, the latter a resident of this town till her marriage a year ago, have moved to the Austin Atchinson farm on Maple street.

The Grange will give a strawberry festival in the First Congregational church next Wednesday evening. The Altra Club of Springfield will be present and give a musical entertainment.

Memorial Sunday was observed by an eloquent sermon before the veterans at the Methodist church by the pastor, Dr. W. H. Thomas, a chaplain of the army during the Rebellion. After the service at the church the congregation gathered on the Wesleyan Academy campus, where the formal raising of the new U. S. flag presented by the students to the Academy took place. Dr. W. H. Thomas made an eloquent address; Dr. W. R. Newhall, principal of the Academy, accepted the flag in behalf of the trustees from the students, and passed it to C. G. Robbins of the veterans, who gave it to Miss Maude B. Hubbard of class '98, and Miss Hubbard unfurled it to the breeze from the new flag staff on Rice Hall observatory during the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner" by the students. Outlying cemeteries were visited in the afternoon and comrades' graves decorated by veterans, and Monday the veterans marched from the Methodist church accompanied by the Indian Orchard Drum Corps and students of Wesleyan Academy to the First Congregational church, where they were received by the school children of the town and saluted by dipping of flags and banners. The following programme was carried out in the church: Singing of "America," audience, led by school children; prayer, Dr. W. R. Newhall; singing of "Star Spangled Banner," school children; address, Rev. H. B. Mason, pastor of Grace church, North Wilbraham; singing, "Battle Hymn of the Republic," school children. The procession was composed of drum corps, veterans, Wesleyan Academy students headed by cornetist Herbert W. Thompson, school children with flags and banners, and citizens; they marched to the soldiers' monument which they decorated, and then proceeded to the Dell cemetery. Upon returning the procession disbanded at the Congregational church and the drum corps and veterans drove to the old cemetery near the Mile Tree. The feature of the church exercises was the singing by the school children under the direction of Miss Mary E. Howard, supervisor of music in the public schools the past two years. Miss Lillian Russell, one of the teachers of music at the Academy, was organist, and Herbert Adams of the Academy led with the cornet, both of whom kindly gave their services for the day; Mr. Russell acted as marshall of the day. Rev. H. B. Mason's address was a most earnest and thoughtful one, breathing an intense patriotism and reverence for the men of '61, whom he claimed were the ones, rather than those of '76, (as '98 has proved), to make one united nation of the United States and as the inscription on the old Liberty Bell of Philadelphia states, "Proclaim liberty throughout all the land, to all the inhabitants thereof."

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RETURNING—Leave Worcester 9.15 a. m.; 2.25, 4.58 p. m.
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FOR Gilbertville, Barre and Cold Brook—6.55, 9.00 a. m.; 3.14 p. m. Sundays, 6.55 a. m.

GOING WEST.

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When clouds are low'ring wild and dark
And distant lies the friendly shore,
Then look aloft!

When fearful shipwreck threatens most
And not a harbor you can find,
But all along the rock bound coast
Wild beats the sea, loud moans the wind,
Oh, look aloft!

No star of hope may beam above,
No beacon shine upon your way,
Your compass may unfaithful prove,
Your ship no more her helm obey,
Yet look aloft!

Above the clouds there is an eye
Can pierce their gloom to watch your course,
And, though the tempest rages high,
A voice can quell its mutterings hoarse.
Then look aloft!

Oh, fear not, Christian sailor, fear
Nor storm nor wave nor rock bound shore!
Launch boldly forth; be will be near,
And faith shall guide you safely o'er!
Then look aloft!

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HOW THE CENTURY PLANT GOT ITS NAME.

A Russian folk-tale is as follows:

About two centuries ago a Russian nobleman travelling in Mexico saw and admired the maguey plant, which is a native of Mexico.

The plant was so much admired by the Russian for its beauty and utility, that he was eager to have growing specimens in his own country. So, when leaving Mexico, he procured some roots to take home to the czar as a present.

On his first visit to court, after he reached the capital city, be told of the wonderful plant and asked permission of the czar to present to him the specimens which be had. The czar graciously granted his request, and gave the roots to the court gardener, who promised to give the plants his best attention; but, unfortunately, before be could plant them properly, as he intended, he was taken suddenly ill, and died without having accomplished anything.

Another gardener was appointed. In the meantime the roots lay in the sack in which they were first placed. The new gardener, not knowing their value, threw the sack away, and it lay unheeded in a corner of the garden day after day. Some time afterward his little daughter picked up one of the roots, and, in a playful mood, planted it, but paid it no further attention. The czar had forgotten all about it. In course of time the ruler died and also the second gardener.

The plant in after years put out a few spikes for leaves, but did not thrive in the cold air of Russia. It grew very slowly and its origin was not known to anyone save the wife of the former gardener, and the child that planted it.

Years passed, and still the strange plant, with its thick, long, straight leaves, now nearly six feet tall, did not bloom, but as it grew taller it attracted notice, and the new czar sometimes looked at it, and wondered if it would ever bloom.

In time be, too, died, and still the maguey bloomed not.

But just after the coronation of another czar a stalk shot up from the root of the plant and rapidly grew to the height of twenty feet. Soon many clusters of small buds appeared, which slowly unfolded and became white blossoms. That wonderful plant had bloomed at last!

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An attendant stepped up to him and quietly asked him to remove his headgear.

"No, sir," he responded in a loud voice. "You have no right to make a man take his hat off. This is a free country."

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"I'd like to know why not."

"Because it's the rule. That is sufficient."

"You insist on my taking off this hat?" asked the man in a still louder voice.

"Yes, sir, I do."

By this time the attention of everybody in the room had been drawn to the obstinate visitor.

"Well," he vociferated, "I'll take it off if you insist, but I want you to understand I do it under protest."

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During the week there were three additional knives returned, all of which had been broken cutting little pine sticks, and each of the purchasers was given a new knife. But one day a ragged little fellow came into that store and said: "I broke that knife you sold me and I want to buy another. It was a good knife, but dad tried to get a cork out of a bottle with the small blade and I broke the large blade trying to split a big hickory stick."

The hardwareman threw his arms around the little boy's neck and in a voice choked with emotion said: "Take a dozen knives, my dear little fellow, a bicycle, a fishing-rod, a sled and anything else that you would like to have. You are the first one to return a pocketknife to me that did not say it was broken by being used to whittle a little pine stick."—*Hardware.*

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"Do you see that hen?" asked Chief of Police Frank McDermott some six months ago. The chicken in question was a plain looking, everyday white hen and was feeding around the yard at the police barracks.

"Yes," I answered. "What about it?"

"Well," continued Chief McDermott, "that hen is white in the summer and black in the winter. You may laugh, but it is the truth. My attention was called to the wonderful phenomenon some time ago. At first I laughed at the idea of such a thing, but I was soon convinced that the hen had two suits of feathers—one for winter use and the other for summer."

I told the chief that I would watch the fowl and see if such were the case. Soon the white feathers became spotted with black ones until now the hen is almost a jet black. The fowl can be seen at any time in the yard at the police barracks.—*Savannah Press.*

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Dances her lawless reel
Down woodland roads, through dewy glens,
Go catch her on her wheel.
She flings her brown arms in the sun,
She climbs from height to height,
Her sportive glance is beckoning on;
Mount, mount, and share her flight.

Oh, ye desk-anchored men and maids,
This goddess holds aloof
From those who shun the arching sky
To seek the shingled roof.
She trips where bending alders shade
The road, dew-damp, at noon,
She strides along the fern-sweet glade,
Beneath the August moon.
She waits for those who gave her chase
Where bird-thronged arches peal;
Go, chase her down the winding roads,
And catch her on her wheel.

The foodless horse can travel far,
And climb the ardnous slope
From the Valley of the Shadow to
The Table Land of Hope.
The air-shod steed, with soundless hoof,
Leaps on with noiseless strides,
And gives new strength with every leap,
New life to him that rides.
Mount, mount the wheel, ye hollow chests,
Ye sallow broods, be brave;
Mount, mount the wheel, ye bloodless tribes,
And ride away from the grave.

—*Sam Walter Foss.*

ETYMOLOGY OF "HURRAH."

W. J. Spratley, to use his plain English name, has favored us with a copy of a letter he has addressed to the *Institute and Lecturers' Gazette* on the etymology of the word "Hurrah!" which Mr. Spratley spells "Hoorah!" We have been vaguely cherishing the idea that it had a Russian origin, but Mr. Spratley takes us to ancient Egypt in his etymological search. He thinks "there can be no doubt that the Egyptian soldiers went into battle to the inspiriting cheer of 'HooRa! Hoolta! Hoolta!'" and if the average questioning man asks why, he staggers him with this: "Because Hoolta (in the tongue of the Thothmes and Rameses) means 'The king, the king, the king!' Yea, more. As 'Ra' means not only king, but also God and man, the concentrated meaning of the cry would be, 'For God, king and country!' What more loyal, what more patriotic, what more devout?" What, indeed!

But lest we should haply still doubt, Mr. Spratley clinches the matter by citing, in corroboration, the fact that his name, in Egyptian roots, is Sa-pa-Ra-ta-y, or Sa-pa-Hoo-Ra-ta-y, which means "Son of heaven, king of the two hemispheres," and if the authority of a gentleman of this descent is not good enough for the mere doubter, even Mr. Sa-pa, etc., may well despair of convincing him. More than this, if Mr. Spratley's Egyptian name means anything—and this is an open question—it also signifies "King of lower Egypt and king of upper Egypt," or Emperor of the World." But what we chiefly like it for is that it seems to settle another point that may well have baffled the philologist—namely, the genesis of the once familiar refrain "Ta-ra-ra-boom-de-ay." Is it possible that Miss Lottie Collins and the street urchin have been singing ancient Egyptian, as Mr. Jourdain spoke prose, without knowing it?—*London Chronicle*

YANKEE DOODLE.

After the representatives of Great Britain and the United States had nearly concluded their pacific labors at Ghent in making the treaty of peace which ended the war of 1812 the burghers of the quaint old Dutch city determined to give an entertainment in honor of the ministers. They determined, as a part of their programme, to perform the national airs of the two powers.

The musical director was sent to call upon the American ministers and obtain the music of their national air. A consultation ensued, at which Bayard and Gallatin favored "Hail Columbia," while Clay, Russell and Adams wanted "Yankee Doodle."

The musical director asked if any of the gentlemen had the music. None of them had it. Then he suggested that perhaps one of them would sing or whistle the air.

"I can't," said Mr. Clay. "I never whistled or sang a tune in my life. Perhaps Mr. Bayard can."

"Neither can I," answered Mr. Bayard. "Perhaps Mr. Russell can."

Mr. Russell, Mr. Gallatin and Mr. Adams in turn confessed their lack of musical ability.

"I have it!" exclaimed Mr. Clay, and, ringing the bell, he summoned his body servant. "John," said he, "whistle 'Yankee Doodle' for this gentleman.

John did so, the chief musician noted down the air, and at the the entertainment the Ghent burghers' band played the national air of the United States with variations.—*Youth's Companion.*

COULDN'T BE DONE.

"Boys," began the Sunday school superintendent impressively, "I hope none of you will ever get into the reprehensible habit of alluding to your father as 'the old man.' When you grow up, no matter how big or old you may be, you should always look up to and respect the silver hairs of your father, who has grown bent and gray working for you in your helpless infancy. Now, all of you who think you can do this, please raise your right hands."

Up went every hand except one.

Sternly eyeing the delinquent, the superintendent solemnly observed:

"Why, young man, I am horrified—absolutely horrified—as well as astonished at your behavior. Don't you wish to raise you hand and put yourself on record as being willing to respect the gray hairs of your father when you grow up to be a man?"

"No. No use tryin'; can't do it nohow," unblushingly responded the lad.

"Why not, sonny?"

"'Cause he ain't liable to have no gray hair. Dad's bald," chirped the youthful philosopher triumphantly, and amid a general titter the discomfited superintendent gave it up and passed on to something else.—*Strand Magazine*

Mr. Mann—"Did you see that woman just as we crossed over?"

Mrs. Mann—"You mean the woman in the camel's-hair gown and beaver jacket; the one who had on bronze shoes, a hat trimmed with fuchsias and heliotrope, with pink ribbons and a chiffon veil? No, I didn't notice her in particular. What were you going to say about her?"—*Boston Transcript.*

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THE AWAKENING OF DARIUS.

It was a fearfully hot day, one of the kind which comes to us so often during the month of August. Not a breath of air was stirring. The leaves of the big maples and graceful elms in the yard looked gray with the dust of the parched road beneath them. Down in the orchard, beneath the Porter apple tree, Mordecai, the rooster, and a few members of his numerous family were scratching aimlessly for bugs. Mordecai's comb looked withered and his tail feathers drooped dejectedly, as he dug away in a perfunctory sort of manner, indicating that nothing but a sense of duty inspired him. The clucks of the hens and the humming of the fat bumblebees were the only sounds to be heard, save an occasional far-away rumble from the westward thunder clouds.

Upon the back stoop, whence the best view of the shady yard could be obtained, sat grandma, darning stockings. They were her son's, and no one could wonder that she sighed once in a while, for John goes upon the plan that if a thing is worth doing at all, it is worth doing thoroughly. Consequently the holes in his stockings are many and ample.

At grandma's feet, snapping occasionally at an inquisitive fly, and keeping his eye open for possible peppermints, lay Darius. Darius is a disagreeable looking dog, with scarcely a thought beyond his dinner. He could eat more than any two men could possibly consume, and his exercise being confined to waddling around the house in grandma's wake, he became in consequence hopelessly fat and unwieldy.

No one but grandma could ever see any good in Darius. John had mentioned him several times in connection with the shotgun, but grandma's pleadings always won the day. "Raly, Johnnie," she would say,—at which infantile cognomen her stalwart son never failed to frown,—"I don't begredge him the little he eats. And just look at what he's done for you this year,—a keepin' those pesky rats away from the corn harn!" John, who knew that the word "Rats!" would cause Darius to disappear as completely as if he did not exist, would laugh immoderately, murmur something about a waddling meal-bag, and give in.

Grandma darned and rocked, sang "Antioch" in her sweet, quavering voice, and talked to Darius as she worked. Now and then she would roll up a pair of stockings and put them with a satisfied pat with the neatly mended pile at her side. Then she would lean over to pat Darius, and drop a peppermint into his suggestively open mouth. He would gulp it down languidly, and wearily thump his tail on the floor, as if the day was entirely too warm for exertion.

When grandma finished the sixth and last pair of dilapidated stockings, and bestowed the last sweetmeat on her faithful satellite, the west was beginning to darken with ominous and angry looking clouds. "Looks like we'd hev a tempest, don't it, 'Rius?" said grandma, placidly taking off her glasses. "Shouldn't wonder but I'd better shut the winders;" and she went indoors, followed by the politic Darius, who was so engaged in dwelling on possible bones that he narrowly escaped getting his tail pinched in the screen door as it banged behind him.

It was quite dark when she came back. The cow mooed disconsolately from the pasture bars. Mordecai and his harem were prudently retiring in the direction of the barnyard. The robius with their quick, sharp calls were flying backward and forward among the trees. One of them, a daring little fellow, lighted for a second on the walk in front of grandma. "Little cunnin'!" said she, tenderly, "looks like he'd get wet if he don't scamper, don't it, Rius?" Darius only yawned abstractedly. The bones had not been forthcoming, and disappointment brooded over his soul.

Grandma gave a last glance at the familiar yard, looking so eerie in the yellow light, and half turned to go in. As she did so, a man came around the corner and up on the stoop. He was ragged and dirty, and the scowls on his face rivaled the clouds behind him. Would she give him something to eat? Oh, yes! Grandma never refused a man something to eat. So into the low buttery she went and came back just in time to see one of her silver spoons slide into the man's pocket. Righteous indignation filled her soul.

"See here, mister," she said, going toward him as he stood by the stoop door. "Them spoons was my mother's, ye're welcome to the vittles, but you can't have them."

The man grinned. "Look yer, old woman," he growled, "yer might as well fork over them spoons 'thout any fuss, coz ye'll have to,—see?" Outside a low rumble of thunder seemed to echo his words. The maples were filled with the rushing of the wind.

Grandma's placid blue eyes blazed. Give this dirty man her mother's silver spoons? Never! She did not wish to hurt the man, she thought, but she must do it. "Sick 'em, 'Rius,—sick 'em!" she called, excitedly.

For the first time in his life Darius "sickemed." Out from the shelter of grandma's voluminous skirts he sped, straight at the surprised tramp. The man, not expecting such an onslaught, for Darius had kept out of sight very skilfully hitherto, hesitated, backed out of the door, and then started on a gentle dog trot down the yard. Whether he was deceived by Darius's yaps at his heels and successful bites at his legs, and thought him a large and ferocious animal, I do not know. At any rate, the dog trot quickened into the run, and he raced down the yard, while Darius, determination stamped on every fiber of his fat little body, followed close behind. When grandma got to the stoop all she could see were the driving sheets of rain. The tempest had come.

Late in the evening, after the storm had rolled its thunders far away and the stars were shining brightly, John found in the dewy grass by the roadside great-grandmother's silver spoon, and close beside it the valiant Darius.

"And d'ye know," said grandma proudly, when she showed me the battered spoon, "I raly believe that dog got an awakenin'! Catch rats, he will like everything, and as for tramps! why, there haint been one here for weeks. You never saw the like in yer life!"

And Darius, from his refuge in her skirts, looked up at me and wagged his stumpy tail complacently.—*Nettie Isabel Hill, in the Sunday Republican.*

APPLICATIONS OF WATER.

The Phrenological *Journal* gives the following useful hints on the applications of water in severe attacks of illness. The adult members of a family should keep them in mind for an emergency.

A strip of flannel or a soft napkin, folded lengthwise and dipped in hot water, and wrung out, and then applied around the neck of a child that has the croup, will usually bring relief in a few minutes.

A proper towel folded several times and dipped in hot water, quickly wrung and applied over the site of toothache or neuralgia will generally afford prompt relief. This treatment for colic has been found to work like magic.

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THE WORM WAS UP LATE.—A father was lecturing his son on the evil of staying out late at night and rising late in the morning.

"You will never succeed," he said, "unless you mend your ways. Remember, the early bird catches the worm."

"And what about the worm, father?" said the young man sneeringly. "Wasn't he rather foolish in getting up so early?"

"My son," said the old man, "that worm hadn't been to bed at all. He was only getting home."

And the young man coughed.—*Pittsburg Chronicle.*

The story is told of an English volunteer officer, in the early days of the service, who, not being quite familiar with the drill-book, was heard to address his men as follows: "Hi, there, you! Left—no, right wheel! No, dammit all! Oh, you know what I mean—turn up Bauk street!"—*Household Words.*

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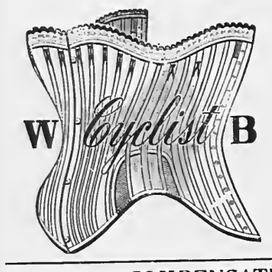

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A British lament for the lost in the Battleship Maine off Havana.

'The time foretold in ages past must surely be at hand,
When not one shore, but all the world, shall be at the patriot's land;
When nations put aside their feuds, race-hatred, battle ban,
And take a nobler step toward the brotherhood of man.

No thunder-cloud of battle hung above the seas that night,
When with a shock that shook the world a vessel sank from sight;
Ay, shook the world—and in the shock our land has borne its part,
For those who 'neath the sea went down were hers in hand and heart.

And they that on the New World's shores are morning now for these,
Are hers, in spite of circumstance and intervening seas;
One race, one blood, one language, sea-divided, spirit-blent;
If not the self-same flag to wave, the self-same proud descent.

Ay, nations put aside their feuds—all honor to the brave
Who faced the fiery foe that night their fellowmen to save;
One step toward the franchise which the whole wide world shall free,
And nations shall one anthem own, keynote—Humanity.

'Twas sadder far, the vessel's loss, than if the tempest's roar
Had flung its challenge and foretold the fate that was in store.
The Stars and Stripes until the last had floated on the breeze,
In battle with a human foe or on the stormy seas.

A fiercer foe than alien or storm was nigh at hand,
Before whose rush the gallant ship went down in sight of land,
With land a-near, with friends around, in view the harbor light,
And to the deeps she took, 'tis said, three hundred men that night.

Yet from the saddest scenes have sprung a nation's boast and pride,
E'en this has given new life to one which Time has long defied—
The grand belief of Britain that 'tis British blood that stirs
All hero hearts, though they may not own a sway that is not hers.

Was it the British Spirit which awoke to urge him on,
Who stood upon that burning wreck till hope itself had gone?
The death defying that was borne upon the lurid flood—
There told the Puritan descent, there spoke the British blood.

Some trait of those old Pilgrims, who defying tyrant's power,
Left Britain, yet bequeathed their sons a very British dower
Of pluck and prowess living—descent and blood will tell,
Proved has it been in battle-shock and 'mid the ocean swell.

Now knits the Old World to the New a link of sympathy;
In trouble and in triumph it is "hands across the "sea."
We two as one, in spite of time and change, will ever stand,
One boast, one race, one language, and one sturdy motherland.

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CHUCHITA.

Nestled in the very heart of the Sierra Madres, in that land of romance over which in old times Montezuma ruled, is a valley—the Valley of Sad Little Birds, so called from the thousands of tiny gray creatures that come in the early spring, filling the air with their low, mournful cooing until the heavy tropical rains of summer drive them back to their mountain homes.

In the centre of this valley rests the village of Baborogame, a mere mite of a place, with some 20 low adobe houses, mellow brown in tone, clustered around three sides of a plaza that had once, in the years gone by, when the holy fathers had dwelt there among the Indians, been filled with beautiful flowers and plants, but was now covered with a rank growth of cactus, thistles, and wild mustard. Back of the house lay small gardens and corrals, and back of these, stretching away to the towering mountains, were cultivated fields of maize and frijoles; through which wound acequals, furnishing the water that fertilized the land to such an extent that it brought forth in a manner perfectly surprising to the farmers of the adjoining valleys, causing them to believe that surely the Valley of the Sad Little Birds was the blessed of the saints.

On the fourth side of the plaza stood the Church of Nuestra Senora de Guadalupe, builded far back in the ages by the good Franciscans who wandered, fearing not, out into the wilderness to convert and save the souls of God's wild children.

It was the deep, rich pealing of these bells that awoke Edward Marsden early one morning in midsummer. He was a young mining engineer who had been sent out from England to take charge of a heavy piece of prospect work at the Plateros Mine, whose mills were pounding away with 20 stamps on silver-bearing ore up in a rocky gorge some five miles distant. He had arrived late the previous evening, and rather than climb in the night the rough trail to the mine, had remained at the village, being fortunate enough to obtain accommodation with the priest, Padre Francis, in the little house he occupied adjoining the church.

While the bells continued ringing he arose, and hastily dressing passed out into the morning light and stood gazing at the beauty of the scene before him. All around the valley great masses of mauve-colored mountains, sublime in their grandeur, towered up into the intense blue of the sky that melted away far to the east into a glorious pink, and there, through a mighty gorge where the mountains seemed to have been rent asunder, standing in majestic cliffs thousands of feet in height on either side, as though some great door had been drawn open to allow the passing of the river that flowed in between, the first rays of the rising sun came and fell like a pathway of gold over the green fields, across the village and on the opposite mountain.

The deep notes of the bells had ceased, and through the open casements of the church came a faint swell of music—harps. Marsden turned and entered the shadowy little building and stood leaning against the wall against the door. It was all new and strange to him—that rude house of God with its little altar covered with wild flowers gathered by the Indians, and on which burned a few candles while on one side was a gaudily dressed image of the Blessed Virgin and on the other a life-sized figure of Christ nailed to the cross, a crown of thorns resting on his head and the blood oozing from the wounds in his hands and feet. Around the walls hung a few crude old paintings of the saints.

Then through the narrow casements came a flood of golden sunlight that glorified into an unreal beauty even the coarse outlines and hard features of the worshippers kneeling there on the tiled floor that had been worn smooth by the knees of generations. A faint smell of incense floated over the church, and out into the stillness a woman's voice, sweet and rich, burst forth in song,

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LOCAL NEWS IN THIS VICINITY.

SILVER STREET CHAPEL DEDICATED.

A Pretty Little Structure, the Result of Persistent Effort and Hard Work.

Something like 200 people gathered Sunday afternoon in the picturesque valley between the Monson and Wilbraham hills in which the little hamlet of Silver Street is located, to witness the dedication of the pretty little chapel just completed there. The exercises began at 3 o'clock with an organ voluntary by Carl Lamson, organist of the Congregational church of Monson. Rev. F. S. Hatch of Monson gave the call to worship, and the audience sang the doxology, after which Rev. F. E. Jenkins of the Congregational church of Palmer gave the prayer of invocation. Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Norcross of Monson then sang a duett, Rev. G. S. Butler of the Three Rivers Union church read the Scripture lesson, and Rev. C. R. Minard of the Baptist church of Palmer gave the prayer for the people. Mr. and Mrs. Norcross then sang "Jesus, lover of my soul." The statement of the building committee was made by N. C. Hill, who stated that the chapel was the result of a demand for larger quarters than the adjoining schoolhouse had furnished; that it was largely the work of the people of the locality and that all had a right there, and yet no one had any special right or privilege—it was for the good of all, and all would be welcome. The report of the treasurer, F. E. Morris of Monson, showed that the funds for building the chapel had been derived as follows: Cash from various subscriptions, $391; Palmer Sabbath schools, $39; Christian Endeavor societies throughout the state, $108; total, $529. In addition there had been given free, in material and labor, by interested parties, $509.14, making the total amount $1039. Other bills paid and pledged by individuals amounted to $142 24, which was still needed to make the building free from debt. Interesting greetings from the societies which had contributed to the building of the chapel were read by Prof. Burke of Monson, and the plans for the future were outlined by Rev. Mr. Hatch. Mr. and Mrs. Norcross sang again, and were followed by remarks by the pastors, Revs. Jenkins, Minard, Butler and Hatch, and H. A. Felton, representing the Methodist church of Monson, whose pastor was unexpectedly absent. Mr. Hatch was the last speaker, and closed his remarks with an appeal to the audience to help the good work along by a generous contribution to pay off the balance due on the building and enable the woodwork of the interior to be varnished, about $150 being needed. Cash and pledges to the amount of $100 was the result, after which the ceremony of dedication was proceeded with, at the close of which Rev. Mr. Butler gave the prayer of dedication and Mr. Hatch pronounced the benediction.

Silver Street Chapel.

The building is a handsome structure capable of seating 225 or 250 people, and is attractively finished inside in the natural wood. All of the labor and much of the material have been given by the people of that locality, who certainly have a right to expect much from the erection of this building, and who deserve to have their expectations more than fulfilled. The maintaining of Sunday services there is in charge of the Christian Endeavor union recently formed among the Monson and Palmer churches.

A Day of Runaways.

There were several exciting runaways on Main street in Ware Tuesday afternoon. A horse belonging to A. A. Etienne, which had been left tied to a loose fence rail, became frightened and ran through Main street, dragging the rail. As it passed the horse attached to the meat cart of A. & H. Fugere, that animal took fright and started to run. Etienne's horse then turned up an alley but the other kept on through the street until it was stopped in front of the Mansion House. Previous to this it frightened the horse hitched to the baker cart of Haley & Sullivan of Bondsville, which ran and collided with H. P. Cummings's carriage, containiug a young woman and the coachman, badly damaging the wheel of the carriage but not injuring the occupants. The horse was then stopped by the driver. No other damage was caused by the runaways.

Electric Lineman Gets a Fall.

John Lyman, employed by the Central Massachusetts Electric Company, met with an accident in Thorndike Monday morning. With a number of men he was engaged in changing poles, and was at work upon one which was to be taken down. A number of inches of dirt had been removed from the bottom, when Lyman climbed the pole to cut the wires. The pole should have been in the ground to a depth of five feet, as was supposed by the workmen, but was in about only three feet and when a portion of the wires were cut the pole fell and Lyman was forced to jump, striking upon his left leg and badly spraining his ankle. It was thought at first that his leg was broken. He was attended by Dr. L. H. Hendee.

Trotting Races To-morrow.

Two match races are to be driven on the Palmer driving park to-morrow afternoon, one between Monson horses and the other between Palmer horses. Charles Webber's "Robert E," 2 22¼, and Ralph Clifford's "B. H. D," 2 14, will meet in ¾ mile heats, best 3 in 5, for a purse of $100. Thomas Blanchard's "Young Roscoe" and W. Chilson's "Jim Amber" will meet in mile heats, best 3 in 5, for a purse of $250. Considerable rivalry exists as to the superiority of the horses in each race, and they will no doubt be interesting and closely contested. The races are called for 2 o'clock.

Arrested for Embezzlement at Ware.

Michael J. Birnie of Worcester, who had been in town in the employ of Philip Ryan of that city, was arrested Friday by Chief of Police Fitzgerald on a charge of embezzlement. Ryan is a dealer in religious articles and employed Birnie to dispose of them from house to house. It is alleged that Birnie sold them at reduced prices and failed to turn over to his employer the latter's share of the proceeds. He was taken to Northampton for trial.

The Late Miss Mehitable F. Sumner of Brimfield.

Miss Mehitable F. Sumner of Brimfield, who died on Tuesday of last week at the age of 90, was the last in her generation of a well-known musical family. She was a sister of the late William Sumner of Worcester, who was associated with the musical interests of that city and identified from its formation with the Worcester Music Festival Association, of which he was vice president. The late George William Sumner, especially remembered in this vicinity as leader of the Springfield Orpheus Club, was Miss Sumner's nephew. Another nephew is Edward L. Sumner, director of the Worcester County Music School. Miss Sumner was the daughter of Deacon William Sumner of Spencer, who was a grandson of John, the oldest brother of Governor Increase Sumner. John Sumner was educated at Harvard College in 1723, and became judge of the courts in Dukes County. He removed to Spencer late in life, and his descendants in one branch became identified with the history of that town. Her mother was Lucena Fletcher of Vermont, and her maternal grandfather was a general in the Revolutionary War from that state.

Miss Sumner was born April 14, 1808, in Townsend, Vt., where her parents lived for a short time. She went to Brimfield from Spencer when a child to live with her aunt, the wife of Col. Abner Brown, and in her declining years she received the devoted care of the third generation of the family whose home was her adopted one, having outlived two generations in that household. It is the more remarkable that Miss Sumner should have lived to such an advanced age, as nature gave her a frail body and she never had firm health. But she early learned to conform to her powers of endurance and to take the best of care of her health. A strong and cheerful spirit prevailed over bodily weakness, so that her long life was an inspiring one and full of usefulness. A self-denying consideration for others was one of her most prominent characteristics, and her controlling desire was to be of service and to make those around her happy. She never grew old in spirit, and the years did not rest as a burden upon her. Miss Sumner was endowed by nature with personal gifts and social qualities which, with her cultivation and refinement, made her especially adapted for society, but she was seldom able to go away from home after the days of her early womanhood. She greatly enjoyed visitors however, and welcomed and entertained them with the genteel and gracious courtesy of the perfect lady of the olden time. In conversation Miss Sumner was always ready with an apt rejoinder, and her delicate sense of humor, which never forsook her, added much to her enjoyment of life and the charm of her companionship. Her stories of the past possessed the interest of her individuality, as she always gave a poetical quality to the incidents and characters she described.

Miss Sumner possessed the musical gifts of her family and was endowed with a soprano voice of rare quality. Her brother William used to describe her voice as sweeter than Jennie Lind's, and though not large in volume, as having peculiar carrying power. Though it was never cultivated by instruction it was cultivated, he said, by her intuitive musical understandings.

Visitors in Brimfield used to listen with surprise and admiration to the leading voice when Miss Sumner, in her young days, sang in the old church choir. Her voice retained its sweetness and purity of tone in her old age, and when engaged in her chosen domestic duties she would often break out singing strains of some old-time hymn or anthem. She wondered that people should stop singing because they were old. Miss Sumner's birthdays have not been allowed to pass unobserved for many years, and music has always been a part of these celebrations. This year her friends thought the exertion of singing would be too great a tax upon her strength, and it was a great surprise to them the following day to hear her sing in a clear tone, "Those Evening Bells," the effect of which was most touching and impressive. She sang in the closing hours of her life, and the selection chosen for the funeral, "Beyond the Smiling and the Weeping," was sung by Miss Sumner in the nighttime, a few weeks before her death.

Miss Sumner possessed a deeply religious nature, and, with her, music and religion were inseparably blended. She would dwell upon the importance of giving feeling expression to the sentiment of the words of a hymn, and it grieved her because this was too often neglected. She loved to point out instances of especial adaptation of words and music in her favorite hymns, and would show the characteristics of some fine harmony by singing the several parts. Miss Sumner never had the opportunity of learning to perform on a musical instrument, as, in the days of her youth, such privileges were rare. She would occasionally speak with tender memory of a tenor viol, the treasure of her father's household, upon which the children readily learned to play as one by one they were old enough to do so. Miss Sumner had looked forward to possessing this instrument, as it had been arranged that it should be given to the sister in Brimfield; it went instead to a sister who had given her life to missionary service, for it was felt that she most needed the cherished instrument. But some of the happiest hours of Miss Sumner's life were in her later years, when she played the melody and sometimes other parts of many a well-remembered hymn upon a piano which was given to her in her old age.

Music with Miss Sumner was not something to be cultivated as an art or enjoyment. It was an essential part of her nature. The real secret of her long and happy life—happy in itself and in brightening the lives of others, was the inward melody of the spirit which made inaudible music as well as found expression in song.

Mills Running Short Time.

Short time has gone into effect at the mills of the Gilbert Company in Ware and Gilbertville. All departments are now running four days a week with the exception of the card and spinning-rooms, which run but three. The congested condition of the woolen market and the war are thought to be the causes of the reduction in time, which is regretted by the business men of the town and the help.

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 10, 1898.

Do you note what our Boston correspondent has to say of the Great and General Court in reference to the passage of the Torrens land transfer bill? "It will stand as the one conspicuous and valuable piece of work done by this Legislature." Only one valuable piece of work a session would seem to be a pretty good argument for biennial sessions.

The act of Admiral Cervera in sending a flag of truce to the American fleet to notify them of the safety of their men who sank the Merrimac in the harbor channel of Santiago characterizes him as a high-minded and chivalrous officer. If there were more men of his stamp in authority in Spain and less like the blood-thirsty, inhuman Weyler, we would not now be at war with that unhappy country.

The prospect that hereafter land transfers in Massachusetts will be rendered quicker and easier of accomplishment by the passage of the Torrens land transfer bill by the Legislature, will be welcomed by many who have long hoped for relief from the slow and cumbrous method of the past. The proposed change has been before the people for seven years, and no objection has been found against it except on the part of those who would be likely to lose a fee now and then by the change.

The people of Silver Street manifest a spirit of determination which shows evident root in good old New England stock. But few in numbers, with their mills burned and their industries gone the way of so many others in small New England settlements, they do not despair when in want of a church for which there is evident need and use, but go at the matter in a way which is always sure to bring success, the result being the pretty little structure shown on our first page. The hard work and self-denial which went into the construction of this building is deserving of an abundant reward.

An opportunity to do much good with a little money is offered by the Fresh Air Fund of Boston. The funds are spent in giving poor people, especially the children, a breath of fresh air in the country or down the harbor. A nickel means a long ride for some poor child or tired mother on the electric cars into the country, and 32 cents will provide a visit to the shore, while $7 will give a mother and child two weeks at a cottage in the country. No better use can be made of what we may be able to spare. Contributions should be sent to Rev. D. W. Waldron, 7-A Beacon street, room 19, Boston.

One of the things which Palmer does well and on which she may congratulate herself is the development and training of the teachers in her public schools. She has established a reputation in this line which is not confined to the boundries of the commonwealth, and many a Palmer teacher has been called to salaries far beyond the reach of the local school committee by superintendents who were on the lookout for the best material procurable. That this reputation has suffered no falling off is evidenced by the number of school superintendents who have been in town the past week with offers for Palmer teachers to go elsewhere. Several have been made, but it is hoped that the committee may find some way of retaining them for the good of our town.

A display of daring and bravery always calls forth admiration, and to-day the whole world admires the heroism of Lieut. Hobson and his seven comrades who took the Merrimac into the channel of Santiago harbor and sank her. The following tribute from the lips of Commodore Schley voices the sentiments of all, when he said, pointing toward Morro Castle:

"History does not record an act of finer heroism than that of the gallant men who are prisoners over there. I watched the Merrimac as she made her way to the entrance of the harbor, and my heart sank as I saw the perfect hell of fire that fell upon those devoted men. I did not think it possible one of them could go through it alive. They went into jaws of death. It was Balaclava over again without the means of defense which the light brigade had.

"Hobson led a forlorn hope without the power to cut his way out. But fortune once more favored the brave, and I hope he will have the recognition and promotion he deserves. His name will live as long as the heroes of the world are remembered."

Summer seems to have settled down upon us at last in good earnest, and the increased humidity will very likely make a brisker demand for seashore cottages. Up to date there have been few rented, when usually at this time of year there are none unengaged. The war, with the possibility of bombardment at various points along the coast by Spanish vessels, is responsible for the condition of affairs, but if one can and has the inclination to go to the seashore—go. Cervera's squadron is where it 'll do mighty little harm except to itself for some time to come, the danger of a North Atlantic coast attack is over, and the sea air 'll do you good. There was never very much danger anyway; it costs no small sum to fire the guns of these big warships, and the idea of a vessel spending eight or ten thousand dollars to blow an eight or ten hundred dollar summer cottage into match wood is just a little fanciful And then, you know now just about how good gunners the Spaniards are.

There is a science in road building, even where only the material provided by nature is available. If you don't believe it, take a ride through the main roads of this and the surrounding towns and note the way they are taken care of, for no two will be found alike. Especially is this noticeable in the construction of the "thank-ye-ma'ams" built to turn the water from the surface of the road into the ditch. These can easily be built so that a wagon or carriage may cross them with no perceptible shaking up for the occupants or increase of strain on horses drawing a load, but there are few of this kind. The favorite way is to build a dam across the track at an angle, making a wrenching joint for vehicles going down and an increased drag for loaded teams going up. But the star arrangement was found by a driver on a steep hill a few days ago, where a dam several inches in height had been built square across the road, then the upper side dug out several inches lower than the surface, making a ditch which required a strong pull to get out of even doing down grade. There is much chance for improvement in this department of road construction.

It is not always best to state all we think or know even when writing a letter to personal friends, as two Spanish officials can truthfully testify. Dupey de Lome got into trouble because of this and was forced to depart from this country thereby. Another case which has just happened is the captured private letter of Lieut. Carranza to an official in Madrid. Carranza has been staying in Montreal since he left the United States some time ago, where he has been establishing a spy system, according to his letter. This will cause his expulsion from Canada. He further writes that it seems to him that God is not on their side because Admiral Camara was chosen to command the Cadiz fleet, and says that he is "capricious and not a hard worker; on the coutrary he is lazy and would pay no attention to the advice of any one." A hot time is likely to await Carranza when he reaches Madrid for penning these words, though they evidently tell the truth. He sums up the situation correctly when he says that it seems as though God was not on their side, and before Uncle Sam is done with Spain, many a Don will see the matter in the same light.

WAR NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The Principal Events and Rumors of the Past Seven Days.

Five ships of the American squadron bombarded Caimanera, on the Bay of Guantanamo, Tuesday morning, forcing the Spaniards to abandon their positions on the shore and retreat to the town. It is possible that this place may be used for a base of operations.

Doubts have been entertained by some as to the fact that all of the Spanish Cape de Verde fleet was bottled up in the harbor of Santiago, it being thought that Cervera might have divided his fleet and entered the harbor with but a few ships. By communication with the insurgents it has now been definitely settled that the whole fleet, with the exception of one torpedo boat destroyer, is in the harbor. The insurgents have furnished our fleet a chart of the harbor showing the exact location of the ships, which are the Christobal Colon, the Vizcaya, the Almirante Oquendo, the Maria Teresa and the Reina Mercedes, recently sunk, all first-class armoured cruisers, and three torpedo boats.

A dispatch from Kingston, Jamaica, says that the Spanish cruiser Vizcaya was badly damaged by a shell at the bombardment of Santiago. The Vizcaya, it will be remembered, was the vessel which paid New York a visit shortly before the beginning of the war.

Capt. Charles V. Gridley, one of the heroes of Manila, died Saturday while en route to this country from the scene of the famous battle. Gridley was commander of the flagship Olympia during the fight, and fought his ship from the conning tower. During the battle he sustained some injury, the nature or detail of which is unknown, and soon after was "invalided" home. Gridley was an able officer and directed the Olympia in a superb manner. Dewey had the greatest of confidence in him, and had he lived promotion would have been given him.

The U. S. gunboat Marietta, which left San Francisco March 16th, has arrived at Key West and is now receiving her war paint and will soon join the fleets. Most of the Marietta's journey was made in company with the battleship Oregon.

All the foreign cables from Cuba have been cut and the island is now isolated, and Gen. Blanco is without means of communication with Spain.

By a clever piece of detective work our secret service men secured possession of a letter written by Lieut. Carranza, a former naval attache of the Spanish legation at Washington, now in Montreal, to a Spanish official in Madrid, in which he states that his business in Canada is to look after the spy system which he has organized, and speaks in very uncomplimentary terms of the Spanish admiral in command of the Cadiz fleet. The English authorities have been informed officially of Carranza's doings in Canada, and he will be forced to leave.

Dispatches from Hong Kong state that the insurgents have been attacking the Spanish at Manila and a fierce hand to hand fight was carried on for seventy continuous hours. The Spanish outposts were driven in and many killed. The insurgents now hold the suburbs of the city. Admiral Dewey is to await the arrival of the American troops before attacking the city.

W. J. Bryan, of "cross of gold" and "crown of thorns" fame, has been appointed colonel of the 3d Nebraska regiment and will in all probability be sent to the Philippines.

A daring deed, uneclipsed by any ever performed in all the history of the world's warfare, was executed before Santiago early last Friday morning, when Lieut. R. P. Hobson of the American navy, accompanied by seven men, took the collier Merrimac into the channel of Santiago harbor and sunk her, in order to make more certain the impossibility of the Spanish squadron's escaping. Hobson, who is a naval coustructor, conceived the idea of scuttling a ship in the narrow channel of the harbor as a very effectual means of preventing the escape of the imprisoned Spanish war vessels, which was received with favor by Admiral Sampson. The big collier Merrimac was picked for the sacrifice and made ready. Six torpedoes were placed along her port side with wire connections to the bridge, and other arrangements made so that the vessel would rapidly fill with water. Volunteers were called for, and though it seemed like going to certain death and destruction, 4000 men responded. But seven of these were chosen. At 3 30 Friday morning the Merrimac was run into the harbor, crossing the mine fields. She was quickly discovered and a heavy fire opened on her from the forts. Right on through the shower of death-dealing shells she went until the narrowest point of the channel was reached, when her anchors were let go fore and aft, she swung across the channel, Hobson touched the button and with a tremendous explosion of the torpedoes along her side, she sank. The crew put off in a small boat, and being unable to return to the American fleet rowed into the harbor and were captured. In the afternoon a flag of truce came from Admiral Cervera to the flagship New York, the officer hearing it stating that the Spanish admiral was so struck with the courage of the crew of the Merrimac that he thought the American fleet should know that they were safe and uninjured, and were held as prisoners of war and could be exchanged. The Spanish fleet is now securely corked up, as any attempt to remove the obstruction must be made within range of the heavy guns of the American warships, which makes it impossible.

The powerful monitor, Monterey, accompanied by the collier Brutus, left San Francisco Tuesday to join Admiral Dewey's squadron at Manila.

The United States dynamite cruiser Buffalo, formerly the Nictheroy of the Brazilian navy, arrived at Newport News Tuesday afternoon, and will at once be overhauled, armed, and put into fighting condition.

Admiral Sampson's fleet bombarded the forts at Santiago Monday morning, and after three hours of fighting silenced their batteries. The Spaniards as usual fired with great rapidity, but their shots flew wide—high, low and all round the American ships—and never struck one. The fire of the bombarding fleet was steady and effective, killing a number of officers and men, as is admitted by Spanish official reports, and sinking the Spanish cruiser Reina Mercedes, which was stationed near the wreck of the Merrimac, attempting to place explosives under the hull with the view of blowing it to pieces and making the channel clear. Cable communication with Santiago by way of Cape Haytien is now interrupted, and a report has it that Santiago has been captured.

American troops sailed from Tampa this week, presumably for Santiago, to take part in active land operations against the city in connection with the navy. They were under command of Gen. William R. Shafter, and number 27,000 men, made up of infantry, cavalry, artillery, engineers and signal corps men. The Second Mass. regiment, Col. Clark commanding, accompanies the expedition.

Early in the week a rumor was afloat that the Spanish torpedo boat destroyer Terror had been sunk by the Oregon while trying to run into the harbor of Santiago. A boat was discovered by the New Orleans apparently trying to run in under cover of the shadow of the shore at night. Powerful search lights were thrown upon her and the guns of several vessels played upon her. Suddenly she disappeared and was not seen again. The next morning two torpedoes were found floating in the water. Some of the naval officers think one of the torpedo boats in the harbor came out to attack the fleet, but being discovered retreated.

PALMER NEWS.

THORNDIKE GETS THE FIRST

Baseball Game In the Championship Series With Three Rivers.

Hanifan's delivery was an enigma to the Thorndike batters up to the seventh inning in the first championship game between Thorndike and Three Rivers at the latter place Saturday afternoon, after which they fell on his curves and smote them all over the diamond. In this inning Thorndike made seven runs, tying the score, and in the next two made five more, winning what looked like a lost game. Hitherto but two or three scratch hits had been made off Hanifan and Thorndike had fielded wretchedly, making several costly errors. Three Rivers on the other hand fielded finely, giving Hanifan good support, the two Connors and Beauchamp gathering a number of big hits which looked dangerous. Riley, Shaw and Longtine fielded well for Thorndike. The game was uninteresting until Thorndike's "lucky 7th," after which the friends of both teams did their best to cheer on their representatives, and in the last inning the rooting of the Three Rivers supporters was almost loud enough to be heard a mile away.

Thorndike "took their bats" and were retired, as was also Three Rivers in its half. In the second a like fate awaited Thorndike, though three men were on bases. In Three Rivers' half a single by Beauchamp, a two-bagger by Lane, a base on balls and errors by Nelson and Fay netted them four runs. Thorndike went out in order and Three Rivers added one to their credit on errors by Kennedy and Nelson. Both sides rolled up goose eggs in the fourth and fifth, and Thorndike did likewise in their half of the sixth. Three Rivers did two better on hits by J. Connor and Gorman, errors by Fay and a passed ball by Longtine. Right here Thorndike struck their gait. Riley and Kennedy made scratch hits and Fay's anatomy came in contact with the ball, filling the bases. Shaw made a pretty single and two runs came in. Nelson did likewise, as did Longtine; Hurley hit for two bases, Dewey hit safe and seven runs was the total. In their half Three Rivers was blanked. In the eighth errors by Hanifan, Rycroft, and hits by Longtine and Dewey made three more for Thorndike. For Three Rivers Ryeroft hit to right, along the base line; the hit was clearly a foul, but the umpire decided otherwise and Rycroft circled the bases. In the ninth a hit by Kennedy, a sacrifice by Shaw, and errors by Rycroft and J. Connor were responsible for two more runs for Thorndike. For Three Rivers Lane reached first on an error of Kennedy's, after the same player had retired Beauchamp on a fly. Story came next and banged the ball into left; it looked good for a couple of bases, but the high wind blowing carried it foul. He missed the next ball; the next he met square and it went foul because of the wind; he missed the next and at last struck out. Hanifan also fanned and the game was Thorndike's. The score:

Thorndike.	r	b	po	a	e	T. Rivers.	r	b	po	a	e
Riley, m,	2	1	3	0	0	Rycroft, 3,	2	2	1	0	3
Kennedy, s,	2	3	3	3	3	Connor, m,	0	1	4	0	0
Fay, 2,	1	1	1	2	2	Sullivan, c,	0	1	5	2	0
Shaw, 1,	2	1	6	1	0	Hutchinup, l,	2	2	1	0	0
Nelson, 3,	1	2	4	2	2	Lane, s,	0	1	6	1	1
Longtine, c,	2	2	9	1	1	Story, 1,	1	1	6	0	0
Hurley, l,	5	2	1	0	0	Hanifan, p,	1	1	0	2	2
Dewey, r,	0	3	0	0	1	J. Connor, r,	2	2	2	0	1
Conue, p,	0	0	0	2	2	Gorman, s,	0	1	2	2	1
Total,	12	15	27	10	12	Total,	8	11	27	7	8

Thorndike,	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	3	2—12
Three Rivers,	0	4	1	0	0	2	0	1	0—8

Times at bat, Thorndike 47, Three Rivers 42. Earned runs, Thorndike 5, Three Rivers 3. Two-base hits, Lane, Kennedy, Hurley, Longtine, Home run, Rycroft. Stolen bases, Thorndike 6, Three Rivers 3. Base on balls, Hanifan, Hurley, Dewey. Hit by pitched ball, Fay. Wild pitches, Conue 1, Hanifan 1. Passed balls, Longtine 1, Sullivan 1. Time, 2 hrs. Umpires, McCarty and King.

Electric Cars to Run To-morrow.

It is now confidently expected that, barring unforeseen delays, the cars of the Palmer and Monson Street Railway Company will be running to Three Rivers to-morrow afternoon. A report was circulated that a car was to be run over the line last evening, but it proved incorrect. The crossing at the Ware River road's tracks has been put in to-day, and is now in condition for use. The Dutton bridge is promised ready for the public to-morrow night, and the contractors announce that the rails to Bondsville will all be in this week. It is likely that cars will be running to that place by the middle of next week. While cars will probably run to Three Rivers to-morrow, the time will no doubt be irregular, and the public must not expect too much. No schedule has been adopted as yet, but when the track is in complete order the cars will be run as often as necessary to accommodate the travel.

Inquest Held.

An inquest on the death of William S. Craighead of Ridgelsville, N. J., who was killed on the Boston and Albany railroad May 18, was held by Judge Shaw in the district court room Wednesday morning. Solomon Meanor, the engineer of the train which struck Craighead, testified that as he was going through the Blanchard cut his fireman cried out that there was a man in front of the engine. He looked and was just in time to see the engine strike him. The train was going 15 miles an hour and was on time. He stopped as soon as possible and the fireman went back and picked the man up. Charles Kibbe, the fireman, testified that when coming through the cut at Blanchard's, having fixed his fire and stepping up into his side of the cab, he saw a man about ten feet ahead. He at once gave the alarm and reached for the bell rope, when the engine struck him. At the time the man was crossing from the east-bound track to the west-bound track.

Prizes for the Bicycle Races.

Arrangements are being made by Manager Tufts for the bicycle tournament on the park July 4th. Next week work will be commenced upon the track, and it will be put in the best condition possible. The following is the list of events and prizes: 2.45 class—1st prize, $20 diamond; 2d prize, solid silver watch, $12; 3d prize, pair of tires, $5; one half-mile open—1st prize, $25 diamond; 2d, $15 clock; 3d, $5 fish rod; one-mile open—1st prize, $30 diamond; 2d, $16 tea set; 3d, $6 tiger-eye ring; two-mile handicap—1st prize, $35 diamond; 2d, $20 gold watch; 3d, half-dozen solid silver spoons, $10. Entry blanks may be secured of E. D. Tufts. Entries will close Wednesday, June 29th, at noon. In addition to the above events several match races between well-known riders are being arranged.

Bicyclist Injured.

William Snow of Silver Street was thrown from his bicycle on Thorndike street Sunday and badly injured. He was coming from Thorndike at a pretty good speed, and in turning out to avoid a collision with several cows which were in the road, he struck a stone and was thrown to the ground. He was rendered unconscious and was carried to the house of Supt. C. D. Shepard, where he was attended by Drs. Schneider and Holbrook. He sustained a cut near the eye and injured his back. Later he was taken to Silver Street, and at last reports was doing well.

Monson Boys In Court.

About a dozen young boys from Monson were before the district court Wednesday morning to answer for the "little sport" they had on Flynt's park Saturday, when they invaded a picnicking party from Palmer. It is alleged that the boys threw missiles at the party, spat in their food, and insulted them in various ways. Judge Shaw gave them a good talking to and discharged all but three, who appeared to be the ringleaders and who will appear to-morrow for a hearing, when the state agent will be present.

CHANGES AT FOREST LAKE.

E. R. Pierce to Manage the Place. Some of the Things Being Done.

The managers of Forest Lake Gardens are making extensive improvements and alterations about the place, and will make a strong effort to provide an enjoyable outing place for the people. Mr. E. R. Pierce, the well-known proprietor of the Converse House, has been engaged as manager, and will have entire control of the grounds and everything pertaining thereto. A large addition is being built to the dining room, more than doubling its present capacity, and a new kitchen will also be constructed, containing the latest appliances for the expeditious furnishing of meals or lunches. The latter, with ice cream, etc., will be available at all times, while an excellent table d'hote dinner will be served at noon for fifty cents. A specially fine dinner will be served on Sundays from 1 to 3, at the same price, and Mr. Pierce's reputation as a caterer is sufficient to guarantee the excellence of the menu and the food.

The supply of water has never been adequate on crowd days, and to overcome this defect an attempt was made to put in driven wells near the ball ground, where the Salvation Army is to camp, but so many rocks were encountered that the project had to be given up, and an attempt is being made to drive them near the picnic tables, in the vicinity of the present well. If good water can be obtained there a number of wells will be driven and connected, the water being pumped to the large tank on the hill, from whence it will be carried to the various parts of the ground. Applications for cottages should be made to Mr. Pierce, and if there is a demand, more cottages will be erected. It is the intention of the management to provide attractions from time to time, band concerts, vaudeville performances, dances, etc., though no special programme has been arranged as yet, for it will take a little time to get the grounds into the condition contemplated by the owners, and then the Salvation Army will have the premises the first ten days in July. The former policy of the prohibition of intoxicants on the premises will be continued, and the owners will aim to make the place attractive to all. The electric cars will run to a point near the restaurant, making the walk to any point on the grounds a short one.

House Burned at Bondsville.

The house of Michael Sullivan at South Belchertown was discovered to be on fire about 1 30 this afternoon, and was burned to the ground, with most of the furniture and contents, and at the time of going to press there is little hope of saving the barn. The loss is about $1200, and the fire is supposed to have caught from a defective flue.

D. L. Bodfish has been in Boston several days this week.

A. B. C. Deming, Jr., visited friends in Holyoke Sunday.

Clarence M. Wing of North Plymouth was home over Sunday.

Bert Harvey spent Sunday as the guest of E. Taylor of Southbridge.

Miss Ada Lewis of Westerly, R. I., is the guest of Mrs. C. D. Holbrook.

Mrs. E. G. Buss of Spencer has been visiting friends in town this week.

The King's Daughters met with Mrs. A. W. Ferry Tuesday afternoon.

A. O. Allen left Wednesday for a visit with relatives in New York state.

J. P. Lynde of Taunton, formerly of Palmer, is in town visiting friends.

The junior class of the high school held a picnic at Forest Lake this afternoon.

Two more columns of local news will be found on the first page of this paper.

Track car scales have been put in on the Boston and Albany tracks near the freight house.

Mrs. Lou French of New Havon spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Albert Loomis.

A. B. C. Deming and D. W. Taft of Boston, former residents, were in town Wednesday.

Letters are advertised at the post office for Jerry Cronin, M. Haggerman, C. Hubbard, George A. Sargent.

The children of the Baptist Sunday school will observe Flag Sunday July 3d, with appropriate exercises.

Mrs. L. M. Shaw and Mrs. J. M. Converse spent Tuesday with Mrs. Moses Warren of Hampden.

Superintendent of Schools C. A. Brodeur of Chicopee was in town Wednesday, visiting the public schools.

The engagement is announced of Rev. O. G. Petrie of Palmer to Miss Alice F. Harrington of Canton.

Ralph LeGro has been at Franklin this week, attending the commencement exercises of Dean Academy.

Henry Loomis, of New Haven, Ct., is visiting at the home of his mother, Mrs. Albert Loomis, on Pleasant street.

D. L. Bodfish is to have a special sale of shirt waists and wrappers to-morrow. He has a very fine line of these goods.

G. W. Powers is building a dwelling house on the Wilbur place at Blanchardville, which he recently purchased.

The Massachusetts railroad commissioners will pass over the new London Northorn railroad to-morrow in a special train.

Francis Duffy has taken a position as telegraph operator at the Western Union Telegraph Company's office in North Brookfield.

Lawyer H. C. Strong returned Friday evening from a ten-days' business trip in Philadelphia, Washington and Richmond.

Several members of the Baptist church Sunday school attended a Sunday school convention in West Springfield Wednesday.

Miss Bessie M. Royce sang at the annual recital of the Worcester County Musical Association in Worcester Tuesday evening.

Miss Mary K. Norton of Rutland, Vt., a former teacher in the public schools, is the guest of Mrs. W. K. Oare at the Converse House.

Mr. and Mrs. William Finnerty of Central Falls, R. I., formerly of Palmer, are receiving contratulations on the birth of a son, Tuesday.

There will be preaching in the Baptist church next Sunday morning by Rev. C. R. Minard. Subject, "Why believers should be baptized."

L. W. Caryl & Co. are giving away fans bearing handsome pictures of United States battleships and cruisers, and an advertisement of their soda.

The engagement of Miss Ola M. Northrop and Clarence M. Wing is announced, and it is understood that the wedding will take place this summer.

Dr. G. H. Wilkins, D. L. Bodfish and H. W. McGregory attended the laying of the corner stone of the new Masonic temple at Boston Wednesday.

H. N. Sedgwick, treasurer of the Royal Arcanum, paid Mrs. George Robinson $3000 this week, the amount of her husband's insurance in the order.

Rev. O. G. Petrie will address the Winchester Association at Westfield next Wednesday morning upon "Our young people and their work."

The selectmen have drawn as jurors for the June term of the superior court, civil session, H. T. Bishop of Thorndike and John F. Dawson of Palmer.

During June, July, August and September C. W. Cross camp, Sons of Veterans, will hold but one regular meeting a month, on the first Tuesday evening.

The W. T. C. U. drinking fountain on the corner of Main and Walnut streets is again giving forth its ice-cold water, and as in the past is greatly appreciated by the public.

Telephones have been placed in the market of G. A. Bills, L. W. Caryl's bottling works, the residence of Rev. W. H. Hart and the office of Dr. Grigware of Thorndike.

The 32d annual reunion of the 57th Mass. Regimental Association will be held in the Sons of Veterans' Hall, Worcester, next Friday. Reduced rates are offered on the B. and A. road.

The topic for the sermon at the Universalist church next Sunday morning will be "The world beautiful." Regular meeting of the Y. P. C. U. at 7 p. m.; subject, "Rich without money."

At the regular monthly meeting of the firemen Monday night James Dewey and John Roman were elected members of the company. The hook and ladder company was out for practice Wednesday evening.

The high school ball team and the Hitchcock Free Academy team were to have played this week, but Manager Shaw received word that Brimfield would forfeit the game, not wishing to play Palmer again.

William Merriam attended the funeral of Mrs. George D. Hapgood in Chester Wednesday. Mr. Hapgood, who died several years ago, was associated with Mr. Merriam in the tanning business in Rindge, N. H., in 1850.

The following committee has been chosen by the graduating class of the high school: Entertainment, Misses Elizabeth Henighan and Sadie Whiting, Henry McGilp; invitations, Misses Mamie Roche and Dorothy Todd, Henry McGilp.

G. H. Bray has resigned as manager of the opera house. Two shows have been booked for next season—October 5th, Uncle Tom's Cabin; October 14th, "Sunshine of Paradise Alley." The latter play is said to be meeting with great success.

The car containing an exhibition of Florida scenery, flowers, fruits, animals, agricultural products, etc., now touring the country, will be in town to-morrow and exhibit at the Central Vermont railroad station from 9 a. m. until 9 p. m.

Miss Bertha Royce was graduated from Dean Academy, Franklin, yesterday, and took a prominent part in the musical programme of the commencement exercises. Mrs. F. A. Royce and daughter Bessie attended the commencement exercises.

Sunday will be observed as Children's Day at the Congregational church. In the morning the pastor will speak upon "Being a soldier," and in the evening there will be a concert by the Sunday school, under the direction of Mrs. J. C. Wing and Mrs Rufus Flynt.

The Junior Union of St. Paul's church will hold a bazar in the chapel next Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock Fancy and useful articles, lemonade, ice cream and cake will be on sale. An entertainment consisting of musical and literary numbers will be given.

Ringling Brothers' show will exhibit at Norwich, Ct., next Tuesday. There will be reduced rates on the Central Vermont railroad. The round trip fare from Palmer, including admission to the circus, will be $2 60. These tickets will be good for return on the 15th.

A joint session of the selectmen and school committee was held in the high school building Monday afternoon. Charles N. Shaw of Bondsville was elected a member of the school committee to fill the vacancy made by the resignation of Rev. R. E. Smith, who removed to Spencer.

Revere Chapter, O. E. S., will hold a regular meeting in Masonic Hall this evening. The fifth anniversary of the chapter will be celebrated. An entertainment will be given and refreshments served. Next Thursday afternoon members of the chapter will go to Springfield to take part in an exemplification to be given by the chapters of this district.

The following appeals from the local court have been filed at the office of the clerk of courts, Springfield, this week: Laura L. Sullivan and Timothy Burns, drunkenness; Laura Sullivan, Timothy Burns and Frank Smith, alias Sullivan, breach of the peace; Eugene S. Howlett, keeping an unlicensed dog; Daniel O'Grady, drunkenness.

A trunk fell from Marcy's depot wagon Tuesday morning at the corner of Main and Walnut streets and frightened one of S. H. Brown's truck horses standing near by. The horse ran between Russell's stable and the Nassowanno House to Central street, where it was stopped. The wagon and harness were slightly damaged.

There will doubtless be some good ball games on the park this season, as the Bondsville–Palmer combination team is a certainty and will be in position to play its first game within a few weeks. A number of players have been picked and measured for uniforms. With the electric road connections to the park from the villages of the town, the games should draw well and the team given good support.

The high school baseball team met its first defeat of the season at Thorndike Friday in the game with the Ware high school team. Weakness at the bat was responsible for the defeat, there being about 15 strike-outs. The score by innings:

W. H. S.	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	3	—8
P. H. S.	1	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	—5

Batteries—Ware, Holmes and Clifford; Palmer, Riley, Kennedy and Shaw. Runs, Shaw 2, Fay 1, Kennedy 1, Barrett 1, Rowen 2, Clifford 2, Southworth 2, Orrell 2.

These cases of local interest were entered at the office of the clerk of courts, Springfield, Monday: Clarenco A. and Ebenezer Brown of Palmer against Arthur D. Foskit of Monson, $778, on an account; Hannah A. Parker of Monson, administratrix, against the Holyoke Savings Bank, to recover certain money alleged to belong to the estate of Bridget Flynn; Hannah A. Parker of Monson, administratrix, against the Springfield Institution for Savings, $1400, to recover certain money alleged to belong to the estate of Bridget Flynn.

Mrs. Jennie A. Eastman, 52, wife of John P. Eastman, died at her home on Pleasant street Saturday noon. Mrs. Eastman had been ill with Bright's disease for some time, but her end came suddenly. Besides her husband, three children, Fred A., Jennie M., and Mrs. G. W. Cross, survive her. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from her late home, Rev. O. G. Petrie officiating. A quartette composed of F. A. Royce, Miss Georgia Packard, Miss Carrie Fish and F. O. Royce sang appropriate selections. Interment was in the Thorndike street cemetery.

The senior class of the high school will give its final entertainment in the high school building next Friday evening. Its purpose is to help defray the expenses of graduation. The following programme has been arranged:

Address,	Mr. McGilp
Piano Solo,	Miss Bray
Recitation,	Miss Hellyar
Vocal Duet,	Misses Bray and Murdock
Violin Solo,	Miss Frances McGilp
Piano Duet,	Misses Newman and Fiske
Recitation,	Miss Rock
Vocal Duet,	Misses Pratt and Todd
Piano Solo,	Miss Ruth Fisko
Flute and Violin Duet,	Mr. Shaw and Miss Alexander
Piano Solo,	Mr. Twogood
Vocal Solo,	Miss Pratt
Recitation,	Miss Sisko
Quartette,	Misses Moulton and Fiske, Messrs. Shaw and Parent

A chapter of domestic unhappiness was brought to light Sunday, and a surprise was given a Springfield man and a Palmer young woman which was anything but agreeable to the former, though the latter was doubtless glad to learn the true nature of affairs before becoming more deeply involved. The man, who is married, has been in the habit of calling upon the young lady, who supposed him to be single. His wife, however, got wind of how things were going, followed him to Palmer Sunday and securing the company of an officer appeared on the scene. She was apparently equal to the emergency, and the calling down which she gave her erring spouse fairly made him wilt. The officer also gave him some good advice, which he will do well to follow in the future.

Save Electric Lustre Starch trade marks. Send three to the Electric Lustre Starch Co., 45 Commercial street, Boston, Mass., and receive a set of pretty paper dolls, free. C. Hitchcock & Co.

District Court.

The wheels of justice had a large grist to grind at Monday morning's session of the district court. Alleck B. Boncoski, a Bondsville Pole, appeared on a charge of drunkenness. When arraigned he would not plead, saying that he did not know whether or not he was drunk, though admitting that something was the matter with him and that he drank four or five glasses of liquor. On the testimony of Officer Collins, who arrested him, he was found guilty and fined $10, which he paid. Alonzo Pierce, colored, of Monson, pleaded guilty to a like complaint. Unfortunately for Pierce this was not his first appearance for drunkenness. He stated, however, that it would be his last, as he had firmly decided to let the flowing bowl henceforth forever more alone. Judge Shaw thought this a wise decision and hoped it would be carried out to the letter, but he considered it the duty of the court to assist him in his laudable purpose, and gave him a year at Bridgewater as the most effectual means. John Dunn and Staniel Dans, tough-looking vagrants who refused to break stone, next went through the mill. They looked the typical hobo who will do no work. Both pleaded guilty to charges of vagrancy and will till the fertile soil at the Bridgewater farm until June 6th, 1900 comes around.

On Saturday Samuel Hall of Monson was up for drunkenness and was probated for 30 days. Tuesday, Charles Jones of Palmer appeared for the same offense and was given thirty days in the house of correction at Springfield.

Reminiscences of 50 Years Ago.

Editor of the Palmer Journal:—A brief paragraph and picture in a recent number of the Journal brought to my mind a Sunday morning wedding at my house in Thorndike fifty years ago, on the 21st day of May, 1848. As I was giving the last touches to my sermon for the morning, a young gentleman and lady drove up with the request that I would join them in the sacred bonds of marriage. The young man I well know, but the young woman with the singular but not unmusical name, Elthina, was a stranger to me. However, knowing so well the good judgment of the young man, and having the requisite official document in my hand, the customary knot was soon tied and the happy couple went on their way rejoicing—to meeting, I presume, in the church where their future home was to be.

The late anniversary set me to looking up the sermon of that interesting May morning, "when the earth herself was adorning," and I found the topic of the discourse was, "The true motive of Christian effort and prayer," founded on a text in the prophecy of David, 9:17–19. We were engaged at the time in erecting a sanctuary in the village, having deserted the old one at the Center and worshipped for a year in the tavern hall at Thorndike. While thus engaged, some over-zealous preacher of another denomination felt prompted to start another enterpriso in the village, and had commenced meetings there, somewhat to our trial and discouragement. I felt called on to preach a searching sermon to my people on the subject mentioned; and it looks as bright and fresh to-day as if written last week instead of fifty years ago. Perhaps the tonic truth it contained tended to preserve the manuscript itself, as well as to cheer and strengthen the people on their work. Howsoever, the church edifice was in due time completed, and stands to-day, I believe, the only evangelical church in the village.

Mr. and Mrs. Knox I have met but seldom in their long wedded life, but I have occasionally heard of them, and always favorably, and am glad to join my friendly greetings, at this distance of time and space, with those of their other friends, on this high occasion.

Truly yours and theirs,
M. K. Cross.

Waterloo, Iowa, June 5, 1898.

PRICE NOT AFFECTED BY WAR.

A Commodity Necessary to All, at a Price All Can Afford.

In these times of war, when prices are advanced on nearly all the necessities of life, though in many instances no good reason for their advance is apparent, excepting that a war is in progress, and in the past such a condition of affairs has always affected prices thus, it gives one real pleasure to note the fact that one concern has not raised the price of the article which it handles, but on the contrary has made an offer to the people of Palmer and vicinity which fairly beams with generosity. And it is all the better because the article, the sale of which is in connection with the offer made, is one of the most necessary necessities of life, which is used by every family, so that the offer applies to all alike. Why this is so will be quickly recognized, when it is learned that the article mentioned is that which the little boy said, in his essay, makes potato taste bad when you don't put it on, otherwise known as salt. Upon thought, the great value of this article and its indispensability is obvious. Aside from its great function in preserving the boundless waters of the ocean, its invaluable use as a bird-catcher by putting it on the tails of the feathered creatures, it has still greater uses. Without hardly an exception, every kind of food which is cooked requires more or less salt to make it palatable; in the preparation and preservation of meats, etc, it is extensively used, and in numerous other ways, known to the good housewife, it is indispensable. The offer mentioned above is this: Anyone carrying three empty 5-cent Yorkshire salt bags to the store of D. L. Bodfish will have the privilege of selecting free any 10-cent article. Yorkshire salt is one of the best in the market, and is sold at the grocery store of J. F. Foley, corner of Main and Walnut streets, Palmer.

MARRIED.

In Monson, 7th, by Rev. Harry Blackford, assisted by Rev. John Ricketts of Wales, Charles L. Ricketts of South Manchester, Ct., and Lena Babbitt of Monson.

DIED.

In Palmer, 4th, Mrs. Jennie A. Eastman, 52.
In West Warren, 6th, William Miller.
In West Warren, 8th, Mrs. Armour.

FOR SALE—A second-hand oil stove in good condition. MRS. D. L. BODFISH, Park St.

TO RENT—6-room tenement in Cross Block. Inquire of F. F. MARCY or D. L. BODFISH.

TO RENT.—The Harris house on Pleasant street. Inquire of W. W. LEACH. 39-tf

TO RENT.—Two tenements on Fox avenue. 44-tf Apply to G. S. HOLDEN.

FINE CABBAGE PLANTS from Gregory's Choice Seeds. All leading varieties. 10-4 H. H. GEER, Three Rivers.

FOR SALE.—One top-buggy and one Democrat wagon, both in good repair. 9-tf D. L. BODFISH.

TO RENT—One nice tenement on the Weeks' property on

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 10, 1898.

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

MONSON.

ANOTHER JUNE WEDDING.

Miss Lena Babbitt Becomes Mrs. Charles L. Ricketts.

One of the prettiest weddings of the season took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Babbitt, on Gates street, Tuesday afternoon at 3:30, when their daughter Lena was united in marriage to Charles L. Ricketts of South Manchester, Ct., in the presence of about fifty friends and relatives. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Harry Blackford of the Universalist church, assisted by Rev. John Ricketts of Wales, the groom's grandfather. The house was beautifully decorated with evergreen, laurel, Solomon's seal, potted plants and flags. The couple stood on a mat of evergreen and Solomon's seal, and under an arch made of laurel, Soloman's seal and hemlock, draped at the top with an American flag. The ceremony was performed with a ring. The bride was prettily attired in a gown of white organdie trimmed with satin ribbon, and wore a veil; she carried bridal roses. The bridesmaid, Miss Musa Babbitt, a sister of the bride, wore white organdie over blue, and carried lillies of the valley. Harry Folsom of Deering, Maine, a classmate of the groom's at Tuft's college, was best man. Miss Winnie Thayer and Miss Louise Ellis, both of Monson, were ribbon girls. The wedding march from Lohengrin was played by Miss Lapham of Springfield. A large number of useful and beautiful presents were received. A reception followed the ceremony, after which the happy couple started on a short wedding trip, on the return from which they will reside in North Manchester. Among those present from out of town were Louis F. Fuller, Mrs. A. A. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Millard of North Adams, Miss Lapham and Mrs. Streeter of Springfield, Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Ricketts of Norwich, Mrs. Sexton of Worcester, Miss Henderson, Mrs. Lathrop and Prof. A. E. Peterson of South Manchester, Harold P. Forbes of Portland, Maine, and Miss Margie Clifford of Easthampton.

Straw Shop Employes' Reunion.

The third annual reunion of the "North Straw Shop Girls" was held Wednesday on Flynt Park. It was a jolly party of 160 who gathered there to renew acquaintances and talk over old times. Those who styled themselves "Veterans" had among their number some who were employed by Merrick & Fay in the early '50's, and all the surrounding towns were represented. Dinner was served promptly at noon, after which a 'bus load of the "Veterans" visited the cemetery and decorated the graves of Rufus F. Fay, C. Henry Merrick, Gilbert White, foreman of the sewing hall when machinery was introduced, Hiram Bliss, machinist, Frederick Fay, son of R. F. Fay and a great favorite with the "girls," and William N. Flynt, who laid out the park. Photographer Day, the omnipresent, took a group picture of the party, after which the formal exercises of the day took place. It was voted, Miss Lizzie Lull presiding, that the next reunion should be held at the same place June 9th, 1899, and Mrs. Alice Goodwill and Mrs. Lucy J. Aldrich were appointed a committee of arrangements. Mrs. Fannie West Jones then gave the roll call of "Veterans," saying that she came to Monson in '69. Some whom she met then were present at this gathering, others were scattered and others dead, but the old shop remained, changed of course, but in many respects the same. The first name on her list was Miss Achsah Beardsley, a veteran of the veterans, one of the first employes and still living at Somers, Ct. It was hoped that "Achsah," as she was called by everyone, might be present, but it could not be. After the roll a letter was read from Mrs. Mary Aldrich Lyman, also a "Veteran" 76 years of age, living on East Hill, almost blind, quite deaf and confined to her room, but her letter was full of cheer. After this the party began to break up, as many were to leave on the 5 p. m. train. Carlos L Peck, for years bookkeeper, and Frank M. King, stock man for the old firm, were among the "boys" who were present during the day, and whose pictures appear in the group.

Mrs. Jennie C. Clark has moved to Battleboro.

Miss Edith Sutcliffe is visiting friends in Athol.

Heimann & Lichten are having their straw shop shingled.

John Lambert is having his block on Main street newly painted.

Miss Alecia Greenway of Westerly, R. I., is visiting at William Wills'.

The senior class at the academy will hold its last sociable this evening.

Mrs. Frank Lewis of South Framingham is visiting Miss Lillian Priestly.

Miss Margie Clifford of Easthampton visited Miss Carrie Chapman this week.

All of the companies of the Monson fire department were out for practice Monday evening.

Miner Noble, fireman at Reynolds's straw shop, is confined to the house with rheumatism.

The regular meeting of A. A. Gage camp, Sons of Veterans, will be held next Tuesday night.

John Lyons, Jr., left Monday for Philadelphia, where he will have charge of a large woolen mill.

The St. Patrick's society has engaged Flynt's park for its annual picnic, which will be held on the Fourth of July.

Patrick Branick has severed his connection with Frank E Howe, and his place has been taken by Frank L. Blanchard.

The last ten volumes of Warner's Library of the World's Best Literature have been received at the Monson Free Library.

R. W. Barber and family of Dover, Maine, have moved into Soloman Cushman's house on Cushman street, formerly occupied by E. B. Converse.

Mrs. Lillian I. Clark of Springfield gave another of her very interesting health lectures Wednesday afternoon at Mrs. W. N. W. N. Flynt's.

A large number of young people of the Universalist church attended a Y. P. C. U. rally held at the Universalist church at Palmer, Wednesday evening, some going in 'hus, others on bicycles.

The regular meeting of the Mouson Cycle League will be held Tuesday night. On that evening a run will be made to Palmer and return. The start will be made from in front of the club rooms at 6 45 o'clock.

Prof. Hitchcock of Springfield, assisted by his violin pupils in this place, will give a free musical entertainment at the Academy chapel next Monday evening at 7 o'clock. Tickets can be obtained at Keeney's free, and the number is limited.

Monson lodge of Odd Fellows will observe Sunday as memorial day, and all members of the order in town are invited to join with the lodge in the services of the day. The members will meet at Odd Fellows' hall at 2 p. m., and all are requested to bring flowers.

A match race has been arranged between Ralph Clifford's pacer, "B. H. D," and Charles Webber's horse, "Robert E," to take place on the Palmer driving park to-morrow afternoon. Both horses have showed considerable speed, and it is expected that a large crowd from this place will witness the races.

Prof. J. S. R. Coy and sister, Miss Margaret Coy, expect to sail for England Wednesday, July 13th, from New York, on the steamer Majestic of the White Star line. They will visit relatives at Manchester and London, and Prof. Coy will study voice with Shakespeare and McKenzie, at the Royal Academy of Music in London. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Todd will leave at the same time and on the same steamer to visit Scotland.

Squier & McCray's new coal shed is about completed, and is as fine as any to be found outside of the cities. It is about sixty feet long and contains six large bins, capable of holding about 125 tons of coal each. The shed is built close to the railroad track, so that coal can be easily unloaded from the cars into the bins. The manner in which the coal can be loaded into teams is also convenient. At the bottom of each bin is a chute, high enough from the ground so that a team can pass under. Each chute also contains a screen so that every particle of coal that passes from the bins to the teams will be clean. They expect their first shipment of coal in a few days.

The geological field class of Springfield was in Monson all day Saturday, spending a greater part of their time at the W. N. Flynt granite quarries. On their arrival at the Monson station they were met by the quarry train, which was decorated with bunting for the occasion. On their way to the quarry they stopped to examine the trap rock and crushing plant, where the rock is quarried for use in macadam roads, and secured a number of fine specimens. At the granite quarries they studied the processes by which the rock is worked, the matter being explained to them by George C. Flynt of the company. After viewing the quarry and obtaining several specimens they were taken by Mr. Flynt to Flynt's park and several places of interest about the town. They returned to Springfield on the 5 20 train, having secured not only some valuable specimens but also a very enjoyable outing.

WILBRAHAM.

The Juniors of Wesleyan Academy had their annual class ride Monday, going to Massasoit Springs, where they dined.

The examinations for entrance to Wesleyan Academy for town students will be held in room 2 in the old academy, Monday, at 9 a. m.

BRIMFIELD.

Miss Mamie Stone is the guest of Mrs. Walter George.

Mrs. Sawin of Worcester is with her son, Dr. R. V. Sawin.

Miss Georgena Whitehouse is visiting friends in Boston.

There is to be a strawberry festival at the church vestry this evening. Ice cream and cake will also be served.

At the ball game Saturday between the Academy boys and the Fiskdale nine, the score was 15 to 13 in favor of the Academy team.

The contestants in the prize speaking contest of the Hitchcock Free Academy students are as follows: Misses Helen Wells, May Davenport, Jennie Plympton, Alice Guest and Barbara Kirke, Clarence Callahan, George Daniels, George Barlow, Arthur Davenport, J. Mason Wells.

HOLLAND.

Mrs. H. Curtis has been spending the past week with her sister in Boston.

Mrs. Stanley Wight of Sturbridge, with Mrs. Tyler of Sterling, visited their uncle, Francis Wight, last week.

Children's Day will be observed at the Congregational church Sunday. A concert will be given in the evening.

Mrs. Olivia Kinney of Leominster and Miss Grace Kinney of Springfield were in town calling on friends last week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Blodgett recently entertained Emmons Kenny of Worcester, also their two daughters, Mrs. Webster of Union and Miss Delia Blodgett of Worcester.

The signatures of the pupils in the public schools of town have been sent to New York to be placed, with those of pupils throughout the United States, in the vault of the monument which is to be erected in honor of the soldiers who lost their lives with the Maine.

WEST WARREN.

Mr. E. Hatch of Monson visited at John Shaw's this week.

William Miller, who has been sick with consumption, died Monday.

John Irving has returned to Cambridge, after a week's visit with his sisters.

Mr. Cunliffe is much better. He has been very sick for some time, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. Tongue.

Miss Lizzie Dodge has entertained this week, Mrs. L. C. Dodge of Lowell and her sister, Mrs. Thompson of Worcester.

It is reported that Victor Dufresne, the vegetable dealer, has hired the farm for many years occupied by Isaac Stearns, near the center village.

Mrs. Armour, who has been sick the past few months, died at her home last Saturday evening. The funeral was at the Methodist church Tuesday afternoon. Rev. Mr. Sutherland, the pastor in charge, conducted the services; burial was in the Pine Grove cemetery.

EAST BRIMFIELD.

Mrs. Ed Clark has a new bicycle.

Mrs. F. Slater has so recovered as to be about.

Mr. Ed Davenport is pasturing a colt for H. M. Corbin.

Mrs. Newton has returned from a visit to her old home.

Mrs. Leonard Wells is at present ill with German measles.

Mr. Pinney has a fine new horse, purchased of Dr. Rice of Worcester.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Stanger are rejoicing over the advent of a little daughter.

Mr. Clarence Messon spent Sabbath at the home of his father-in-law, Mr. A. H. Bump.

Mr. R. A. Macallister has left his position at H. T. Hyde's and taken a position as traveling salesman in New Jersey.

Mrs. S. Macallister, accompanied by her daughter and granddaughter, Mrs. W. C. Davenport and Lisle, are visiting in Connecticut for a few days.

Mr. George Lane was suddenly called to Brattleboro to be present at the funeral of his brother-in-law. Mrs. Lane is taking charge of the store and post office during his absence.

BELCHERTOWN.

J. R. Gould is visiting friends in New York.

The Center grammar and primary schools closed Friday.

Elwin Hayes has taken a position as clerk in C. E. Scott's store.

E. C. Clapp of Brookfield has arrived at the Clapp homestead.

Rev. Mr. St. John and family have arrived at their new home here.

Twenty-four new boxes have been added to the post office equipment.

Miss Maebelle Walker of Springfield is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Walker.

Mrs. Oliver Shannon has been called to Springfield by the illness of her son, Harry Shannon.

Dr. C. H. Maynard has removed his dental office to rooms in E. S. and Arthur Bridgman's building.

Miss Lucy Thomson has returned from New Haven, where she has been visiting at the home of her brother, Dr. Edwin Thomson.

Mrs. Evans arrived from Chicago Wednesday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson, where she will spend the summer. Mr. Evans belongs to the regular army, which has been ordered to the Philippine islands.

WALES.

The assessors are figuring up the valuations for taxing.

Rev. John Ricketts celebrated his 82d birthday Wednesday.

Mrs. Julia Parker, who has been under the care of Dr. Ross for several days, is improving.

Fred M. Royce is having burglar-proof shutters put on his store windows. Now the other stores will have to look out for burglars.

Rev. George W. Davis, pastor of the Baptist church, will attend the Sunday school convention at West Springfield this week, after which he will go to Maine to spend a few weeks with his brother to recuperate. Mr. Wells, a student at Brimfield Academy, is expected to supply his pulpit during his absence.

The following letter was received by a Wales man this week:

Camp Alger, Falls Church, Va.,
June 8th, 1898.

Dear Sir:—I write you a few lines to let you know that I am sick and in the hospital. I wish I was well, so I could join my company. I am lonesome, and the world seems dark and dreary to me. I have no friends to send me a word from home. I have written three letters to my brother, but he has not written a word to me. Give my regards to all the boys and tell them to write to me.

A. E. MANDIGO, Co. K, 6th Mass.

The recipient asks: "Will some kind Christian lady write a sympathetic letter to the above soldier boy? It will be worth more to him than medicine. He has neither father, mother, nor sister, only one brother, who cannot find time to write to him.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

The schools in town will close next Friday.

Mrs. Thomas Marshall, Jr., is on a two-weeks' visit to friends in Westfield.

James Richards has been drawn as juryman for the June term of the superior court.

A. D. Tufts has taken a three years' contract for carrying the mail from the post office at North Wilbraham to the Ludlow Center office, beginning July 1st, 1898.

James Egan has opened a lunch room in the rear of his grocery store for the accommodation of bicyclists and others. He has recently erected a sign in front of his store announcing this fact.

The first train west last Saturday morning was the direct cause of a sharp drop in beef and pork, as the horse attached to Gendreau's meat cart became frightened and ran into the yard of W. L. Collins, demolishing a street lamp and capsizing the cart. The horse escaped without injury, but the cart had the appearance of needing repairs.

One of Groceryman Fuller's horses, driven by Charles Callahan, ran down the mountain hill Monday afternoon, the wagon bringing up against one of the hitching posts at Grace church; the animal became detached from the vehicle owing to the breaking of the harness, and made for home. The driver, deeming discretion the better part of valor, made his exit over the tailboard while coming down the hill. The team and harness were quite badly damaged.

LUDLOW.

Measles are quite prevalent about town. The Converse children are recovering from diphtheria, but have the measles now.

William K. W. Hansen of the Western University, Penn., is spending the summer vacation with his sister, Mrs David Wilson.

A new watering trough for horses has been placed on East street, in front of the machine shop, by the Ludlow Manufacturing Company.

The Grange has voted to hold but one meeting a month during June, July and August "Children's night" will be observed in July.

Rev. Mr. Mason of North Wilbraham occupied the pulpit of the Union Congregational church Sunday morning in exchange with Rev. W. H. Thomas.

The King's Daughters give an entertainment in Grange hall this evening, with readings by Eugene Hill of the Emerson college of oratory. A strawberry supper will be served.

The baseball team has the following schedule of games for June: Saturday, the Hinsdales, at Hinsdale, N. H.; 18th, the Thompsonvilles, at Ludlow; 25th, Somervilles, at Ludlow.

Cards are out for the wedding of Miss Mabel Ella Fairbanks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fairbanks, and Clinton F. Taylor, the event to take place in the Union Congregational church Wednesday evening, the 22d, at 6 o'clock.

The Union Congregational Sunday school will hold its annual picnic at Riverside grove, Springfield, Saturday, July 16th. The Sunday schools of the Congregational and Methodist churches at the Center have been invited to attend.

WARE.

The board of health report three more cases of scarlet fever in the East street school.

A June festival is to be held in the town hall next Tuesday for the benefit of the building fund of All Saints' church.

Henry Miller, 25, formerly of Ware, died in West Warren Monday, and was buried in St. William's cemetery Wednesday afternoon.

These jurors have been drawn: Grand juror, Henry M. Clark; for the criminal term, Franklin S. Johnson and Joseph A. N. Bonin.

John Belado, a young Polish boy, broke his left forearm Monday evening while at play with several boys, who pushed him to the ground.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Bombard, who were married last week, were given a reception at the rooms of the Young Men's Union Club Tuesday evening.

An association, consisting of H. C. Davis, Henry M. Clark, Felix Bombard, F. F. Gilmore and George E. Utley, has leased the trotting park and will hold several race meets before the fall.

Miss Mary Collins and Michael J. Sullivan were married Wednesday afternoon at All Saints' church by Rev. James Boyle. William Gavin was best man and Miss Nellie Sullivan was maid of honor.

Miss Elizabeth Lloyd, telegraph operator at the railroad station, is spending a six-weeks' vacation at her home in Blandford. Miss Lena Whitford of Stafford Springs, Ct., is taking her place during her absence.

The Twentieth Century Club held its quarterly meeting Tuesday evening and elected these officers: President, Bartholomew Buckley; vice president, John H. O'Connor; secretary, Frank C. Wilson; treasurer, Walter Ingalls. The bicycle company, adjunct of the club, elected these officers: Captain, A. M. Deslanriers; 1st lieutenant, William F. Canavan; 2d lieutenant, William H. Ward; sergeant, A. H. Ruggles.

New Methodist Church Dedicated.

The new Methodist church at Ware was dedicated yesterday, services being held in the afternoon and evening. At the afternoon service the pastor, Rev. J. W. Fulton, read the ritual introductory, followed by Scripture reading by Rev. A. M. Osgood and Rev. C. M. Hall. Bishop W. F. Mallieu preached the sermon. H. P. Cummings, in behalf of the trustees, made the presentation. In the evening the sermon was preached by Rev. E. M. Taylor of Cambridge. On Sunday, September 17th, 1897, Rev. J. W. Fulton preached the farewell sermon in the old church, and on the following Monday morning the work of tearing down the old structure was commenced. The new building was then rapidly pushed and the corner stone laid November 7, 1897. The new church is a handsome structure and cost $13,700. On the ground floor is a parlor, dining room, kitchen, halls, boiler room, storage room, and coal room; on the first story a lecture room, the auditorium, pastor's room, choir, halls, etc, and in the second story an Epworth League room and hall. The building was designed by Gardner, Pyne & Gardner of Springfield, and was built by H. P. Cummings & Co. of Ware.

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS.

BOSTON, JUNE 9, 1898.

The Senate, after considerable debate, has insisted upon its bill for "a clean flag," as it is termed. It is intended to prevent the use of the national flag for any purpose other than its original use, and proposes to prevent the addition to it of any lettering, emblems, portraits or other thing of whatever sort, with the exception of the names of the Grand Army posts and kindred marks. Now, the truth is that there is much question in the minds of some, at least, of the men who voted for this bill, whether there is any common sense in it. But the fear of being thought unpatriotic prevents any man who questions the passage of the bill from saying what he really thinks about. One senator tells me that he is afraid that the Grand Army men will censure him, and for fear that he will be misunderstood he does not say what he thinks. Yet he believes that it is right for political parties to use the national flag with their candidates' names attached. Doubtless nearly every one will agree that it is perfectly fitting for a party to attach its candidates' names to the flag. It is a proclamation to the world that the party makes country first and subordinates party to it. If the House should kill the bill it would render a service. At least, the bill can be amended so that it will not overdo what may be a proper idea in a limited way.

The House has voted to put the extermination of the brown-tail moth in the hands of the state board of agriculture, but it has cut off the appropriation of $10,000 which was reported by the committee on agriculture with the bill. One member who tried to be funny at the expense of the people whose trees have been destroyed by the moth wanted to amend so as to include moths of any other colored tail than brown. He thought that the more state's money there was, the more moths. Some folks are more funny than wise.

Just about this time of year it is well for the people of the senatorial and representative districts to look well after their members in the Legislature. This is the time when great matters are pressing and when the ever vigilant corporations put in their best work, while the representatives of the people are too much hurried, in their eagerness for prorogation, to pay particular attention to what the slick corporation men are putting through. This House has thus far been too much under the influence of the corporations. As a rule, it has not deserved well of its constituents. It has been far too much disposed to sacrifice the public. Either the members have been too indifferent to study the different bills, or they have been too susceptible to the influence of the corporations which are determined to fleece the people as far as the Legislature will permit. The notorious subserviency of the Legislature to the Whitney gas interest is a lamentable illustration to the point.

But the House deserves credit for one thing. After the special committee on street railways had presented to the Legislature a bill which had due regard to the corporations and to the public both, the committee on street railways altered it so much before reporting it that the protection for the public pretty much dropped out, but the corporations were still thoughtfully provided for. The House, on the first stage of the bill, seemed to have been successfully worked by the corporations, for it did not give the public any chance at all. But when the matter came up on its second stage the House reversed its action by safe majorities and restored the bill to its original form, in the main. For that it is to be given positive credit, but it is still to be feared that the Senate will sacrifice the public to the corporations.

It is not expected that there will be any opposition of consequence to the bill which gives $7 a month from the state treasury to each non-commissioned officer and private who serves in the army or navy in the present war with Spain. The bill also makes an appropriation of $1 500,000 for the purpose. If any member questions the wisdom of the bill, he dislikes to display his feeling before his fellow members. This bill is based upon the communication sent to the governor by a strong list of veterans of the civil war, headed by Gen. Hazard Stevens of Boston, who was on the staff of his father when the latter was killed at the battle of Antietam. The payment of $7 per month to her own soldiers, in addition to what was paid by the government, was kept up by Vermont during the civil war, and the result is said to have never been regretted. It will be a material sum for some families which have lost their support, in whole or in part, and doubtless the prosperous people of the state, who are not making many sacrifices, will contribute their share without grumbling.

Some of the country members who took the trip down the Merrimac on Senator George's stern-wheel steamer from Haverhill to Newburyport on Tuesday afternoon were overheard remarking the next day, speaking of the music and the natural beauties: "We do not get enough of these things in our lives. We work too hard as we go along. After this, I mean to take more time for these things. It will be time well spent." So the sons of stern and hard-working fathers, in their nature years, rebel against their bringing up, see that there are comforts in life which they have missed, and resolve to reform while they have still some appetite for the beauties of nature and the entrancement of music. But the trip Tuesday cost them nothing from start to finish.

The prospect is that the Torrens system of land transfer will become a law at this session. The long and carefully prepared bill was passed through its last stage in the House on Wednesday forenoon. It was not debated at all on its first stage. On the last there was a challenge by Mr. Hoag of Springfield, who moved to refer the bill to the next Legislature. He thought that the bill was altogether too important to be passed at this session. But the judiciary committee, by Messrs. Myers of Cambridge, and Stone, of Springfield, replied that the bill had been before the House in print for nearly five months; that it had been before the people of the state for seven years, and that it had been drawn and revised with extreme care. After further questioning and explanation, the House voted for it almost unanimously. While some delay may be encountered in the Senate, it is believed that the Senate will give a good majority for the bill. If it does the act will stand as the one conspicuous and valuable piece of work done by this Legislature in the midst of a session which has not been nearly as fruitful for the people as had been expected. This bill makes a revolution in the system of transferring land titles. A member who has done much for its passage says that the greatest revolutions in history have been those which created little agitation at the time. They were thought out by the students and public-spirited men who had the patience and the brains to realize their importance. From the new departure which they inaugurated, society has gone on to great improvements and has made greater progress than ever. Another member of the committee, speaking of our present system, said that from the settlement of the country to 1800 about 100 volumes of land titles were made in Boston. At present they are making about 100 a year. Our system would soon break of its own weight, if not reformed. This reform was bound to come.

The Legislature did a large day's work on Wednesday. The House, besides passing the Torrens land transfer bill to be engrossed, had a long debate over the short aldermanic bill requiring all political parties in Boston to nominate twelve candidates for the board of aldermen. This is intended to prevent the present combination by which each party nominates only seven, just the number each voter can vote for, while it was the intention of the law that twelve should be nominated. The bill had a large majority in its favor.

The House also showed its disposition to eradicate the bucket shop gambling, for it passed a bill to be engrossed But the interests which make money by this gambling have always defeated the bill when offered in previous years, and it is quite possible that they will succeed this year. The House passed to be engrossed a bill to give every Massachusetts non-commissioned officer and soldier, in army or navy, who volunteered for the war, seven dollars a month out of the State treasury, in addition to the pay from the national government.

The Senate on Wednesday ordered to a third reading, after debate, the House bill appropriating $400,000 for state highways. It also substituted for an adverse report a long bill for the regulation of assessment insurance for the better protection of policyholders.

The Senate has discussed at some length to-day the bill to establish a children's bureau. The committee on ways and means, Senator Whittlesey of Berkshire dissenting, reported that the bill ought not to pass. It was rejected by vote of 17 yeas to 13 nays.

The House has given an almost unanimous vote against the bill to appropriate $2500 for the entertainment of the American Association for the advancement of Science at its fiftieth annual meeting in Boston next August. It was felt that other societies might come in for state appropriations if this precedent were established. LANDON.

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They toi-ol-ol-oil-not,
They toil not,
They toil not,
Ny-y-y-ther do they spin.

She paused and the tenor took up the strain:

Nee-ee-ee-ther do they spin.
They toi-ol-ol-oil not,
They toil not,
They toil not,
Nee-ee-ee-ther do they spin.

The tenor ceased, and the basso, a solemn, red-haired young man, with a somewhat worldly-looking eye and a voice like a foghorn, broke in:

Nay-ay-ay-ayther do they spin.
They toi-ol-ol-oil not,
They toil not,
They toil not,
Nay-ay-ay-ther do they spin.

Then the voices of the three were lifted up in semi-chorus:

Ny-y-y-ther
Nee-ee-ee-ther
Nay-ay-ay-ther
do they spin.

They toi-ol-ol-oil not.
They toil not,
They toil not,
Ny-y-y-ther
Nee-ee-ee-ther
Nay-ay-ay-ther
do they spin.

"Brethren," said the gray-haired, old-fashioned pastor when the choir had finished, "we will begin the service of the morning by singing the familiar hymn, 'And Am I Yet Alive?'"

—*Chicago Daily Tribune.*

AMONG THE PARAGRAPHERS.

There was a young maid of Manila
Who asked for a glass of vanilla,
But the clerk in the store
Was so rattled by war
That he gave her a muff of chinchilla.
—*Harper's Bazar.*

"Papa, if you hadn't married mamma——" "Well?" "What a lot o' fun me an' you could have—a doin' as we please?"—*Chicago Record.*

Smith—"What a curious thing! Here's Jones been walking around all day holding his nose!" Brown—"Why, his wife told him not to forget to order some smelts for dinner."—*Brooklyn Life.*

Private Moriarty (the raw recruit)—"Halt, will yez? Who goes there?" Captain Bighead (indignantly)—"Fool!" Private Moriarty (unabashed)—"Advance, fool, an' give th' countersign."—*Judge.*

"Commercial traveler (to cannibals)—"Well, then, if you have made up your minds to roast and eat me, let me at least entreat you to try our brand of mustard on this occasion."—*Fliegende Blatter.*

Farmer Summerboard (to his son)—"Enoch, I guess it's about time to prune those vines." Miss Citigirl (one of the boarders)—"Oh, do you raise your own prunes? I thought you bought them at the grocery!"—*Puck.*

Jones—"Great guns! You're getting deaf, old man." Smith—"I'm not. I could never hear better in my life." Jones (producing a watch)—"Can you hear that watch tick?" Smith (triumphantly)—"Distinctly." Jones—"That's queer. The watch isn't running."—*Household Words.*

Two Scotch elders were discussing their new minister. "Mon Saudy," said one of them, "it's awfu' peety the noo minister speaks through his nose." "Yes, mon," replied the other, "it's an awfu' peety, and it's no like as if he was pinched for room through his mouth."—*Tid Bits.*

It was at an afternoon tea and the crush was simply horrid. It seemed that nothing would save the few men present, when one quick-witted woman exclaimed: "Ladies, please remember there are gentlemen in the crowd!" It was all that preserved the poor things from a horrible fate.—*North American.*

Little three-years-old Sunnylocks had been told that he couldn't have a doughnut, because it would make him sick. He sat in his high chair and looked longingly at the plateful of sugar-coated "holes with cake around them." At last he turned, and in pleading tones said: "Mamma, I want to det sick."—*Cleveland Leader.*

The dog had been chasing his own tail for a quarter of an hour. "Papa," quoth Willie, "what kind of a dog is that?" "A watch dog, my son," responded the parent. Willie pondered a moment. "Well," he finally observed, "from the length of time it takes him to wind himself up I think he must be a Waterbury Watch dog."—*Harlem Life.*

Editors, as a rule, are kind-hearted and liberal. An exchange tells of a subscriber to a certain paper who died and left 14 years' subscription unpaid. The editor appeared at the grave as the lid was being screwed down for the last time, and put in a linen duster, a thermometer, a palmleaf fan, and a recipe for making ice.—*Herman Enterprise.*

"It isn't at all safe to judge by appearances," said the restless boy's father. "Yes," replied the mother, "people are very deceptive." "And so are inanimate objects. You'd never think, merely judging by external indications, that the heavy pair of shoes I bought that boy was only going to wear for six weeks, while his fragile-looking Latin grammar will last him a lifetime."—*Washington Star.*

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"The sleeping poet jumped from his chair like a man electrified. The two senators looked at him, rather astonished at the suddenness of his awakening. Read rubbed his eyes for a moment and looked around him. Then he murmured these words:

"'Peace! oh, that some white winged bird from the south
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BIGGEST SHOW 'CEPT ONE.

A circus was coming to town and every barn and every fence within a radius of 50 miles or so had been billed with the usual lurid circus announcements. An old time darkey and a young yellow "dude" were gazing at the hills and wondering.

"Barnum and Bailey's circus. The biggest show on earth," read the youngster.

"What—what's dat?" asked the old-time darkey, pricking up his ears.

The other read again the legend of the show bills.

"You don't know what you is talking about, nigger. Dat show kain't touch John Robinson's. He nuster cum fro' here and dat wuz a show wuth seein'. Dat was the biggest show on dis earf, sho nuff."

The old man had evidently not been to a circus for many years. The darkies swear by John Robinson throughout the south, anyway.

"Read it for yourself then," said the dude. "I tell you that thing says this is the biggest show on earth."

The old man proceeded to spell out the big letters. He waded through "Barnum and Bailey," and after a rest began on the remainder of the sentence:

"B-i-g-g-e-s-t s-h-o-w o-n e-a-r-t-h, S-e-p-t. 1."

"I knowed it! I knowed it!" shouted the old man, jumping up and down in his glee. "'De higges' show, 'cept one,' and dat one was John Robinson's."—*Washington Post.*

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Also another tract of land situated in Wales, containing 25 acres, more or less, lying on the east side of the Hollow Road, so-called, leading from Wales to Brimfield and Palmer, it being the Byron lot and the same that was deeded grantors, Nov. 20th, A. D., 1876, and recorded with Hampden Deeds, Book 368, Page 232.

Also another lot of land in Wales, situate on the west side of said Hollow Road, and on Himmick Hill, so called, bounded as follows: Beginning at a chestnut tree and stones on the W. side of highway, S. of where the house of Gideon Dimick formerly stood, then W. 43° N. 61 rods to a heap of stones; thence N. 22° E. 29 rods to some stones; thence W. 19° N. 7 rods to some stones; thence N. 19° E. 30 rods to some stones; then E. 26° S. 68 rods to said highway; thence on west line of said highway to first mentioned bound, containing 23 acres and 167 rods, more or less, it being the same premises conveyed by a deed recorded with Hampden Deeds, Book 151, Page 133, and also by deed Sept. 3, 1874, by James Smith to grantors, recorded Book 394, Page 528.

Also another tract of land with buildings thereon situated in Wales, bounded on the east by land of J. M. Lyons and C. Brewer, north by the old Andrews and Parker places, west by land of B. Farrington, Old Trask place and H. A. McFarland, south by said McFarland, Trask place and Dimmick's lot, it being the premises that were formerly owned by widow Sally Nelson, deceased, and now being the place owned and occupied by the grantors and being nearly surrounded by the above three described tracts, the title of which came to the grantors by inheritance from their mother, widow Sally Nelson, deceased, hereby conveying all the premises that she owned at her decease and now occupied by said grantors.

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"Miss Willikins," he said, "I met your father at luncheon to-day, and we had a long and confidential talk."

A glad light came into her big, soulful eyes, and in low, happy tones she asked:

"Was papa in a pleasant mood?"

"Yes, he spoke very encouragingly to me."

For a long time she was silent. It was evident that she expected him to go on. But he only sat there, looking off into space and tugging at his mustache.

At last she drew a tremulous sigh and murmured:

"It is strange that papa didn't say anything to me about it at tea this evening."

"Well," Henry Twickenham replied, "I suppose it had passed out of his mind. He is a very busy man, you know."

"Still," she said, "he wouldn't be likely to forget a thing that—that so directly concerned me."

"Ah, Miss Willikins," he cried, "do you, too, take an interest in me? I assure you this is very flattering. Did you read my plea to the jury in the Mundle versus Binkham case? It was that upon which your father especially congratulated me. He said it undoubtedly presaged a bright future for me."

Then it suddenly began to grow chilly thereabouts, and 15 minutes later, when Henry Twickenham had been frozen out, Gladys Willikins clapped her soft white hands to her temples and exclaimed:

I wish that fool and his Mundle versus Binkham case were in Skaguay."—*Cleveland Leader.*

THE CAKE WALK IS FRENCH.

The cake walk had its origin among the French negroes of Louisiana more than a century ago. There is little doubt that it is an offshoot of some of the old French country dances. It represents several of them in form. From New Orleans it spread over the entire South and thence north. It was found of convenience to the plantation negroes. They were wedded by license, and it was seldom that the services of a preacher were called in.

At a cake walk a man might legitimately show his preference for a woman and thus publicly claim her for a wife. In effect the cake walk was not different from the old Scotch marriage, which required only public acknowledgment from the contracting parties. So this festival became in some sense a wooing, an acceptance or rejection and a ceremony. This explains its popularity with the blacks outside of its beauties, with the accompaniment of music, which is competent at all times to command negro support.

Cake walking has improved, as do most things that are constantly practiced. It has lost its old significance in the south. Negroes now get married, when they marry at all, in the white folks' fashion. It has, moreover, become a pantomimo dance. Properly performed, it is a beautiful one. The cake is not much of a prize, though the negro has a sweet tooth.—*New Orleans Times-Democrat.*

"Say, wot's dis—Romeo et Juliette?" "I dunno, unless Romeo was hungry."—*St. Louis Republic.*

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In Happy Spring.

A little child, knee-deep in meadow grasses,
Her tiny apron heaped with blooms of spring,
Lightly above her head the soft wind passes,
Gaily along her way the bluebirds sing.

Quick fly the eager glances hither, thither,
The little grasping fingers know no bound,
Already some fair buds begin to wither,
Some softly fall unnoticed to the ground.

No matter now. The world is full of sweetness,
Stretches the field before her wide and gay,
Blithe little heart that knows no incompleteness,
No touch of gloom in all the summer day.

Ah! gladly take what springtime brings of gladness,
Each tender-blossomed joy of childhood's hour.
For days will come when passing slow in sadness,
Thou shalt look vainly for one wayside flower.

—*Saturday Gazette.*

CHUCHITA.

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and the padre turned and made the sign of the cross, and the men and women rose to their feet and passed out.

Marsden remained where he stood, watching the people file by while he waited for Padre Francis. He had only slightly noticed the woman who had sung, but when she came towards the door he gazed intently at her in surprise, for woman she was not, but a girl of some 16 years, tall and with a form already matured in that southern clime. Over her head she wore a black shawl that was drawn around her face and fastened under her chin, causing her rich, creamy complexion to appear almost white.

She must have felt the intensity of his look, for she raised her great, innocent black eyes to his and stood for an instant, her full, red lips parted, showing little white teeth, then she blushed slightly, and murmuring, *Buenos dias*, senor, passed on.

That face!—and he was gazing out even through the thick adobe walls and beyond—back into the past and into a great hall where the works of the masters were on exhibition, and he was standing before the life-size portrait of a woman—a nun, with clasped hands, and eyes raised to heaven from under a black hood—some artist's ideal—and he had found—

His reverie was broken by the padre, who took his arm and led him from the church to breakfast, and there Marsden asked of the singer.

"You mean Chuchita," said the priest—"Chuchita Ochoa, and a dear child she is. I have known her from her babyhood. Her parents were both Mexicans. I say were, because her mother died when she was only 10, and since then she has kept house for her father, an old rascal who is always in trouble, but is now working up at the mine. I see very little of Chuchita now—very little, for our church is not what it was in the years gone by, senor, and I come to this village only twice a year—a week in summer and during the holidays—to marry and baptize my people."

One day, shortly after, as Marsden was riding up the canon to the mine, he saw ahead of him, slowly climbing the trail, a girl. He rode on, and, as he drew nearer, he recognized Chuchita, and when he reached her side—she had stepped from the trail to allow him to pass—he dismounted and walked on with her, speaking in his broken Spanish of scenery, then leading her on until she told him of her life and questioned him of the land of the *Inglesi*, of which she had but a vague idea.

And this was the beginning. As the days drifted slowly by and passed into weeks, they met again and again, and it happened, they know not how, that on certain days of the week, while the sun was sinking at the back of the mountains, they were attracted from different directions to the ruins of an old house surrounded by a stone wall that stood in a little canon at the edge of the valley, and it was there that Marsden, little by little, without knowing it and, without meaning to, won the heart of Chuchita. At first he would have laughed at the idea of making love seriously to her, and he sought her company only as a source of amusement; for it was dull enough at the mine now, even his work kept him employed only a few hours a day. But after a while the langnor of that land of the south came over him, and he dreamed of what life would be with her if he could only forget the world and remain forever in those everlasting mountains, dwelling in an Arcadia of his own.

It was after dusk one evening when he drew near the ruined house, and as he dismounted at the gate in the wall Chuchita came towards him. Fastening his horse, he turned to her and taking her hand in his, said:

"I am late, little one. I am sorry. Have I kept you waiting long?"

"No, not long, but I was afraid you would not come," she answered.

"Would you have cared much, dear?"

She raised her eyes to his, and replied with a deep sigh: "Yes, I would have cared."

And to him as he looked into those eyes, a something akin to love came. He had never kissed her, but now he put his arm around her and drew her to him; he placed his hand under her chin and pushed her head back against his shoulder, upturning her face, then gazing down into her eyes, he whispered: "Tell me that you love me."

She looked at him for a moment with languid eyes and parted lips, and then a great thrill passed over her and she threw her arms about him and cried: "Edmardo! I love you!" and she pressed her lips to his in one long kiss. He tightened his arms around her, holding her close to him murmuring: "My darling, my love," and again his lips met hers, and he kissed her until her head dropped on his breast. Gently he raised her head, and drawing her shawl about her face, held her from him, whispering: "My nun, that is the way I always see you."

And then a thought came to him, and he drew her back to his breast again, while he gazed off into the night. "Chuchita," he said, "I have something I want to say to you, dear,—a plan for your future. I want you to come with me, dear, to a home we will make in some beautiful spot in this dreamy land of yours, where we can live for each other alone. I will be kind to you, darling, and love you, love you until the end. Will you come, Chuchita?"

"As your wife—yes," she answered.

He made no reply, and she slipped suddenly from his arms and walked quickly away; then turning, she came back, pausing within a few steps of him. In the dusk he could distinguish only the outline of her form and the unnatural brilliancy of her eyes, as she exclaimed: "Oh, Edmardo, my love! I understand and I know not if it will be right. I must pray to the saints; and here, to-morrow night, I will tell you. Take me in your arms once more, *caro mio*, and then let me go."

He drew her to him and held her folded in one long embrace; then he released her, and she turned and left him.

Slowly she wandered back to the village, her poor little heart throbbing with pain and her mind in an agony of doubt. She entered the deserted church, and in a corner near the chancel rail she fell on her knees and prayed; and as she knelt there, gradually a holy peace came into her heart, driving away the cruel pain, and the conviction grew strong within her that the blessed saints had heard her prayer and would guide her aright; and so after a while she arose and passed out from the sacred edifice almost happy.

When she met Marsden the next evening he took her in his arms and she burst into tears. Gently he soothed her, and after a while she sobbed out: "Edmardo, *mio*, it no can be, only as your wife. It no is right."

"But, darling," he replied, "I cannot marry you now. You knew the priest is not here, and will not return for months, and besides, I may finish my work at the mine at any time, and when I do, I want to take you away with me,"—and as he continued talking with her they wandered on into the village, and when they came to the church Chuchita paused, and clasping her hands to her heart, cried: "Edmardo, *caro mio*, come into the church and on your knees before the Blessed Virgin promise you will wait here and marry me when the padre returns, and then—but none must know—my father—none—none!—until the padre returns."

He hesitated for an instant and then entered, and kneeling before the image with her at his side, he promised. Rising to their feet, they passed out, and she took his hand and said "Come," and she led him to her home.

The months sped and the holidays were near. Marsden's work was finished, and for days he had lingered debating with himself as to whether he should remain until the padre came and fulfill his promise to Chuchita to dwell in that Arcadia he had pictured or return to the old life, a longing for which came to him at times. He could not decide, but at last concluded to go out with the bullion train which would leave for Parral in a few days, and then, upon reaching Guadalupe by Calvo, a town one day's travel from the mine, come to some conclusion.

The evening before his departure he rode down into the valley and saw Chuchita, and had her give him a list of all she would require for her wedding. Then he kissed her and bade her farewell, and he thought that perhaps it was for the last time.

It was late when Chuchita retired in her little home that night, and for how long she had been asleep she knew not, when she was awakened by talking in the next room adjoining her own. At first she thought that her father, who had been discharged from the mine some weeks before for appropriating to his own use some valuable ore, had imbibed too much *mescal* and was a little hilarious with some companions, but suddenly she caught some words that caused her to start and listen. Then softly rising from her bed, she crept to the door, and through a crack she saw four men beside her father, all heavily armed, and from their conversation she learned that they were going to rob the bullion train at a place she knew well.

A great fear that caused her to tremble came to her. "Oh! Blessed Mother," she murmured to herself, "he will be with the train, and if anything should happen to him! It must not—I must save him!"

She knew that the train would leave the mine at four o'clock in the morning, and she also knew that it would take a trail that forked off the one from the village to the mine, half way up the canon. If she could only reach there before the train, she could save him, for the spot where the robbery was to take place was two miles further down the other canon. Hastily throwing on her clothes, she entered a room that served as a kitchen, and taking from the table a knife, she passed out into the night.

After pansing at one or two of the corrals near by, in a vain search for a horse, she turned and started at a rapid pace across the valley and on up the trail, and just as the eastern sky was faintly lighting up with the break of day, she reached the fork, and dropping on her knees, examined the trail.

"*Dios mio!*" she cried, "they have passed," and she bounded to her feet and was off in pursuit. And at the instant from far down the canon came the cry of the muleteer urging on his train.

Suddenly a shot rang out, followed by another and another. She was nearly there now, and she sprang aside as two of the bullion-laden mules rushed wildly up the trail and passed her. The canon echoed with the crack of carbines, and as she darted around a boulder, her long hair streaming out into the morning breeze that swept with weird strains up the gloomy gorge, she came upon two men.

One was being forced slowly back over a fallen tree—Blessed Mother! it was Edmardo. The other, tall and swarthy, with his face concealed by a mask, had his knife uplifted to strike, but it never fell, for, with a bound, Chuchita was at his side, her arm around his neck; like lightning her knife flashed twice, and with a muttered curse the man sank dying at her feet.

And as she looked down at him, the knife fell from her hand, and a cry of horrow broke from her lips. "Edmardo," she moaned, "my husband, to save you I have killed—my father," and her head fell forward on her bosom.

Marsden stood for an instant gazing at her; then a great, fierce love caught at his heart with fingers of steel and wrung it until his whole body trembled, and he gathered her to his bosom.

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They've named a cruiser "Dixie"—that's what the papers say—
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Good news! It sorter thrills me an' makes me want ter be
Whar' the ban' is playin' "Dixie," an' the "Dixie" puts ter sea!

They've named a cruiser "Dixie." An' fellers, I'll be bounʼ
You're goin' ter see some fightin' when the "Dixie" swings eromʼ!
Ef any o' them Spanish ships shall strike her, east or west,
Jest let the banʼ play "Dixie," an' the boys'll do the rest!

I want ter see that "Dixie"—I want ter take my stanʼ
On the deck of her anʼ holler:—"Three cheers fer Dixie lanʼ!"
She means we're all united—the war hurts healed away,
An' "Way Down Souths in Dixie" is national to-day!

I bet you, she's a good 'un! I'll stake my last red cent
Thar ain't no better timber in the whole blame settlement!
An' all their shiny battleships beside that ship air tame,
For, when it comes ter "Dixie," thar's something in the name!

Here's three cheers an' a tiger—as hearty as kin be;
An' let the banʼ play "Dixie" when the "Dixie" puts ter sea!
She'll make her way an' win the day from shinin' east ter west—
Jest let the banʼ play "Dixie," an' the boys'll do the rest!

—*Frank L. Stanton, in Atlanta Constitution.*

THE MAN IN LIVERY.

I was Elaine du Rocher's guardian. At the age of eight she had lost both her parents. Her health was delicate, and I thought the best thing to do for her was to put her to a convent school in the country.

I myself had three sons. Elaine, when of age, would come into possession of $300,000, and as I did not want to be accused of paternal covetousness, I desisted from taking her to my home. Consequently she spent all her vacations at school, grew up beautiful, and thereby caused me to redouble my precautions.

She showed religious proclivities and professed a vocation for convent life. I remonstrated against her becoming a nun, but she urged that she was happy and wanted nothing better than to pass her existence at the convent. When of age she for two years devoted her whole income to feeding and clothing the poor of Juilly.

One morning, however, I received the following astonishing letter:

MY DEAR GUARDIAN.—I am bored. After mature reflection, I find that I am not cut out for a religious career. Kindly find me a husband as soon as possible. Your grateful and devoted ELAINE.

I hurried to the convent. "So you are bored?"

"To death my dear guardian."

"And you wish to marry simply for lack of something better to do?"

"Exactly."

"Have you considered?"

"Not very much—only enough to know that since I am bored at the couvent I can have no religious vocation, I won't be an old maid. There is nothing left then except marriage—or death."

"How you jump at conclusions!"

"Have you, in your infinite wisdom, anything else to suggest?"

"Hum! And what do you require of the happy mortal, your future husband?"

"Nothing—except that he please me."

"Very well. But what does please you? You must have ideals—all girls have."

"Not I," she answered quietly. "Remember, my kind friend, that I know only three men—you, our father confessor and the convent gardener, and—"

"And?"

She slightly tossed her head.

"Well, they are not all what I want."

I was fully aware that I, stout, bald and near-sighted, could not be the fancy of a handsome girl of 20—still, I felt a little provoked at being told it so plainly.

"Very well," I said, rather gruffly.

She kissed me. Probably she would have been more circumspect had I been her ideal; anyhow, her kiss calmed me.

"I shall seek and find."

She dropped me a nice little courtesy and we parted.

It does not seem hard to find a candidate for the hand of a young and charming heiress. I presented quite a number of men to her—nice fellows, too; but none suited her. Summer was passing, and each week Elaine sent me a card with the word, "I am bored."

"Don't be so hard to please, then; make a choice," I answered in exasperation.

Things were at this point when my old friend, the curate of Redon, spoke to me of the Marquise de Pen-Valloet and her two sons. Old family, distinguished name, good connections, respectable fortune. I proposed to Elaine to spend a few weeks with my wife at Trouville. She joyfully accepted.

"On the way," said I, "we will stop at one of my clients, Marquise de Pen-Valloet."

"I'll wager your client has a son."

"Two, in fact."

"So much the easier to choose."

The Marquise resided on a large estate some miles from Redon. I had been told of her strictly economical way of living, so I was not surprised to find awaiting us at the station an old rattle trap of a carriage, which smelled so musty that, as we started to get in, Elaine recoiled.

"Suppose we ride ouside; I should enjoy the fresh air."

"I don't see any ladder," said I, a little dismayed at the steep climb.

"Bah! one foot on the wheel, another near the coachman, and there you are."

"You want to break my neck."

"Don't be afraid sir," said the coachman, offering his strong hand and helping me to mount quite easily.

"Evidently an ex-soldier," thought I, looking admiringly at the robust and handsome figure of the man.

Elaine seemed no more than a feather in his strong grasp. Before I was seated she was beside me, raidiant and happy as a lark.

"You will be afraid," said I, measuring the distauce from our perch to the ground.

"Afraid! You don't know me. You will cry quarter before I do. Now, driver, quick, quick, quick!"

The man smiled rather sarcastically, I thought.

"Not too fast, my boy," I said. "Don't you listen to that featherbrain."

He gathered up his reins and started his team. Heavens, what a race! My blood curdles at the thought of it. Elaine clapped her hands and incited the pleased coachman to redoubled efforts. I held on with might and main, prepared to jump at the expected crash.

My torture lasted 35 minutes, during which I must have grown ten years older. The carriage turned sharply to the right, we raced up a narrow road and stopped short in a paved court. The precision with which the ponies halted at the door would have done honor to circus horses, but I was too vexed to admire.

"You came near killing us," I said to the coachman.

"Every one knows his business, sir; I know mine," he answered phlegmatically.

A handsome, refined-looking young man, of medium height, met us, and assisted us to alight.

Mme. de Pen-Valloet received us in the large, gloomy drawing-room, hung with ancestral pictures, more or less hideous. She, herself, in her old-fashioned, faded gown, looked like an old family portrait descended from its frame. She greeted us graciously, and herself, led us to the apartments.

"My son, Rene," she said, designating the handsome young man who had first received us, "has awaited your coming with great impatience, the curate's description of you and Mlle. Elaine was so flattering. And then we lead such a retired life, have few calls, fewer neighbors, only some friends of my own age. Your visit is a perfect godsend, and I hope you will make it a long one."

I thought the old lady's severe gray eyes rested with pleasure on my little ward.

Dinner was ready. We had just time to change our traveling suits. When Elaine reappeared in her simple white gown, she looked queerly beautiful. Rene met her at the door with some compliment, which did not seem to displease her.

Covers were laid for five. We were only four, however, and the place opposite our hostess remained vacant. Nobody seemed to notice it, and dinner was served.

The cuisine was good, the wines choice. The service might have been better. The little servant who waited on us seemed a novice at his task. He broke a plate and his mistress gave him a severe look.

Just then another guest entered—a man of about 30, tall and with a strong face. Saluting us, he took the empty place opposite Mme. de Pen-Valloet.

"My oldest son, Marquis Horace de Pen-Valloet," she said, presenting him, adding, "Late, as usual."

"You know why, mother," he answered, coldly.

I could not take my eyes off the newcomer. Where had I met him? His voice awoke some disagreeable memory, yet I could not place him.

The conversation became livelier. I understood that the Marquis had lived in India, and asked whether it was so.

"I have traveled a great deal," he answered, laconically.

"Too much," added his mother.

"And are the Eastern climates rather trying to Europeans?" I asked, not knowing exactly what to say.

He shook his head. "I never was better than when traveling. Only I spent my fortune—a thing my mother cannot forget."

"Your fortune and a part of mine," added the Marquise, rather bitterly.

We turned the conversation, and when dinner was over, I feared the long evening yet to come.

Mme. de Pen-Valloet proposed a game of bezique to me, while Rene sat down to the piano, and, with a pretty tenor voice, sang German and Breton songs.

At last came the time for retiring. I signalled to Elaine, who was in languid conversation with the elder Pen-Valloet while the younger was still warbling away.

"Well?" said I, when we were alone. She stifled a yawn. "Let us go to bed. I am tired to death."

"Not before you have told me your impression of the two candidates."

"The younger is handsome, he has a pretty voice and dresses well. That is all I know so far."

"And the other?"

She laughed. "The other? Why, he hasn't a cent. He doesn't count as a match, guardie, dear."

"True. I always thought you were a sensible girl."

Next morning it was late when I awoke.

I had hardly finished my toilette before Elaine, fresh and bright as the morning, knocked for admittance.

"What! up already?"

"Already! Why I have had a long walk through the dewey woods. It was exquisite."

"Alone?"

"Oh, no. I made sure of an escort last night."

"Ah! ha! So things are working?"

"Splendidly, my dear guardian. Open your ears. I have decided to marry"—

"Handsome Rene?" said I, rubbing my hands.

"No; I am going to marry—the coachman who drove so well yesterday. As soon as I placed my hand in his I knew he was a man a woman could trust. But here he is to tell you that you are not dreaming?"

She opened the door, and Horace de Pen-Valloet entered.

"Myself!" he said, smiling at my astonishment. "My story is not long, but rather unusual. I wanted to be a soldier. My mother objected. I obeyed her, but the spirit of adventure possessed me. As soon as I was of age I started on a trip around the world. My mother told you that I spent my fortune and part of hers. I dare say I committed my share of follies. When my means were exhausted I returned home. The fatted calf was not killed in my honor. On the contrary, I had to put up with reproaches, complaints and taunts. What was I to do? Incapable of earning my living, exasperated at hearing myself reproached for eating the bread of idleness, I offered to take the place of my mother's coachman, who had died. I loved horses—and you know I can drive."

"I still feel it," said I, shaking myself.

"When I offered my services to my mother I was half joking, she accepted in earnest, so I became the coachman. I take care of my animals and, when it is necessary, put on the livery. At night I resume dress suit, my title and my rights, as eldest son. And this might have gone on forever but for the coming of this liberating fairy, my charming financee, who, I think, understands me—and will try to love me a little."—*Argonaut.*

THE FETCHING SUN-BONNET.

Golf bonnets have come to stay. In evidence to some extent last season, they promise this year to be ubiquitous. Not golf-lovers alone, but all girls who believe in making the most of a fetching fashion, are laying in a goodly supply of the article. In cut and finish, set and shape, the bonnets are just like the old-fashioned sun-bonnet. There is the same well-stitched or slatted hood, the gathered crown, the full cape, and the streamers that tie under the chin or go a-flying, just as the wearer chooses. Dimity of pure white or rose pink is the material most often chosen, though fabrics with a dainty pattern of their own are also used. The Turkey-red golf bonnet is popular, as is but logical in a game whose color is scarlet. One great charm of the bonnets is that they are so made that a day in the laundry makes them as fresh as ever. The smart thing is to have a bonnet to match each shirt-waist. So pretty and becoming a species of head-gear is by no means relegated to golf alone, however. It is likely to be much worn in the country this year for bicycle-riding, not to say strolling and driving. A pretty girl never looks prettier than when her face is in the half-shadow of a sun-bonnet scoop, and it is to the credit of latter-day fashions that there should be a revival of so fetching a mode.—*Harper's Bazar.*

The Classics.

Let me always read the classics,
There are hardlings of a day,
Fames from twilight unto twilight,
But the classics ever stay.
And the classics are the voices
Of the mountain and the glen
And the multitudinous ocean
And the city filled with men,—
Voices of a deeper meaning
Than all drippings of the pen.

Yes, the mountains are a classic,
And an older word they speak
Than the classics of the Hebrew
Or the Hindoo or the Greek.
Dumb are they, like all the classics,
Till the chosen one draws near,
Who can catch their inner voices
With the ear behind the ear;
And their words are high and mystic,—
But the chosen one can hear.

And the ocean is a classic.
Where's the scribe shall read its word,
Word grown old before the Attic
Or Ionian bards were heard,
Word once whispered unto Homer,
Sown within his fruitful heart,—
And he caught a broken message,
But he only heard a part.
Listen, thou; forget the babblings
And the pedantries of art.

And the city is a classic,—
Aye, the city filled with men;
Here the comic, epic, tragic,
Beyond painting of the pen.
And who rightly reads the classic
Of the city, million-trod,
Ranges farther than the sky line,
Burrows deeper than the sod.
And his soul beholds the secrets
Of the mysteries of God.

Give to me to read these classics:—
Life is short from youth to age;
But its fleetness is not wasted
If I master but a page.
—*Sam Walter Foss.*

ROASTED HIS STORE TEA.

The country storekeeper was engaged in a lively argument with Colonel Bill Cotton-head as to the probable effect of the Bradley-Hunter split upon the future of the Republican party in Kentucky, when old Tom Mosely, one of the oldest mountaineers in Letcher county, road up and dismounted.

"Hev you uns airy bit of store tea?" he queried, as he rifled his yarn sock for an annoying cocklebur.

"Why, yes, Moseley, plenty of it," replied Brown. "Would you like to have some to-day?"

"Well, I guess not terday, Frank. Jess never hed seen eny, and I thought ef you uns had eny, I'd lak tuh look at hit."

Brown considerately took the old man back into the rear room, where a freshly opened caddy of young Hyson was standing alongside the counter. Running his fingers down into the depths of the lead colored mass, he drew out a handful, which he held up to the old man's gaze.

The old fellow's eyes sparkled, and a strange quivering was noticeable about his lips.

"Wall, I swow. An' thet air store tea, air hit?"

"It certainly is," Brown asserted. "Better put up a pound for you?"

"What mout hit be wuth?"

"It's worth 75 cents a pound, Mosely, but as you are an old friend and have never tried any of it you may have it for 50 cents."

"Yub kin put me up er poun'."

Five days later the old man dropped into the store for a tobacco supply, and Brown, after a lengthy conversation touching on mountain topics in general, queried:

"How did you like your tea, Mosely?"

"Fa'r tuh middlin' Frank; fa'r too middlin'; mouter hin bettah, but I guess laikly the ole woman used a little tew much grease in roastin' hit."—*Louisville Post.*

BOUGHT A TRAMP'S MEMOIRS.

The audacity and wit of the American tramp are proverbial, and undoubtedly they often save him from harsher treatment than his merits and demerits entitle him to. A country house near Buffalo recently received a call from one of this species. The man was dirty, unkempt, and unmistakably a tramp. He also bore the signs of addiction to strong drink and general worthlessness. The humorous touch that finished the picture as he came up with a genial smile and a good deal of manner was a round and fresh clerical collar which had been lifted very recently from the premises of the neighboring college.

"Madam," he said, "I am a missionary but lately returned from long years of service in China and other heathen lands. For the sake of health and relaxation I am renewing my acquaintance with nature and my native land in this unconventional manner. To help pay my way I am selling for the merely nominal price of 15 cents this record of my experiences."

The fellow made his speech with a look in his eyes that showed his enjoyment of the game. The volume was a dirty castaway, rescued from an ash barrel, but still "The Life of the Rev. So-and-So, Many Years Missionary in the Far East."

"Dear, dear," said one of the ladies. "Haven't you a clean copy?"

"Madam, there are others, but they are with my baggage. And they are 25 cents a copy," he added. "This is the popular edition."

One of the company, charmed with the style and impudence of the scalawag, went in to get the change. Then he took his money, waved his dismantled derby affably and went on along the highway. The incident was happily closed by the purchaser of the "Life" of the departed brother reading aloud, when she could catch her breath, these opening lines of the precious narrative, "I was born of humble parentage in the town of Glastonbury, Ct., March 18th, 1782."—*Buffalo Commercial.*

A LESSON IN BUSINESS.

Blumper failed once and lost his last dollar. He studied the thing over from every view and concluded that his fatal mistake was in not advertising. He was a general favorite in the country town where he met with disaster, he held nothing out against his creditors, and his reward came in the shape of the postmastership. The income depended very largely on the number and value of stamps sold. Blumper determined that he would not fail again, at least from the same cause.

In the local paper there appeared a big display advertisement notifying the public that Blumper had the largest, brightest, and best selected stock of postage stamps in the county. He would sell them at the lowest figure, warrant them to be all that was represented, would sell them in quantities to suit the purchasers, guaranteed that they would carry a letter as far and as safely as any other stamps in the world, defied competition and wound up by saying that he had the backing of the government. As long as it was good he was good.

"It beats the band," tells an old citizen. "We laughed at him and knew that he was the first postmaster that ever adopted such tactics, but he was a winner. It tickled the people almost to death, and there is no better way of getting their favor. They sent from one hundred miles in every direction to buy stamps of him. Not a man came to town to do business or make a visit that did not have a commission to buy postage stamps of Blumper. He made a nice thing, is now in private business again and thinks an advertisement about as good as ready money."—*Detroit Free Press.*

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 17, 1898.

THE negroes in the South have not all been killed off yet. There was another lynching in Kentucky yesterday.

THE men behind Uncle Sam's guns have been doing some excellent work this week, according to the reports from the seat of war of forts tumbled down by their shots.

"NOT a ship nor a man hurt" is getting to be monotonous in the accounts of the shooting of the Spanish forts and batteries. But it's a kind of a monotony we are thankful for.

THERE is to be a great naval combat on the Thames near New London next Wednesday, though the Spaniards are not to be in it. Yale and Harvard,—not the auxiliary cruisers, but the universities,—and Cornell are to be the contestants in a boat race.

BLANCO is reported to have said that before he will surrender Havana he will burn the city and massacre all the Cuban prisoners in his possession. Evidently there's no such thing as civilized warfare known by the Spaniards. Their inhumanity seems to be only a question of degrees.

THE Vesuvius is reported to have successfully tested her dynamite guns off Santiago the other evening, taking a Spanish fortification for a target. It may be awfully wirked, but here's hoping the Vesuvius will do as much damage to the Spaniards, if the time comes and it is necessary, as the old volcano which bears the same name did to the city of Pompeii long, long ago.

AT this season of the year many young men and women are leaving school and college and "embarking upon the sea of life." After a little sailing they will find it not as delightful as it looks. There are shoals and hidden rocks, submarine mines, torpedo boats and other implements of destruction to be avoided, but if they have been faithful to the teachings received, and have taken advantage of their opportunities, they should sail safely on and give to the world good, true and noble lives.

AGAIN the mighty hath fallen, and young Leiter, the wheat king, has met his Waterloo. His was a gigantic scheme, the cornering of the wheat market of the world. For a time it seemed to work well, but it proved too big for him to handle and he suffers a loss of many dollars. He merits this downfall. It is not right for any man who may have sufficient means to control the price of the necessities of life and make money by the harreful while thousands of poor people suffer. This should serve as a lesson to all who may have such aspirations as Leiter's.

THE bodies of our marines who were killed by the Spanish guerillas at Guantanamo were mutilated in a shocking manner, being hacked and chopped frightfully, after a fashion supposed to be followed by none other than the most barbarous hordes, and in so doing the Spaniards have shown themselves to be no better than the most uncivilized savages. Is it to be wondered that the Maine was blown up by people capable of such deeds? Our senses revolt at the thought of retaliation, but who can blame our boys if they remember Guantanamo along with the Maine?

THE critics who have said that the dynamite cruiser Vesuvius, which is the only craft of her kind in the world, would blow herself up if she ever attempted to use her guns with service charges, must have been somewhat crestfallen by the reports from the seat of war recently. She not only escaped all damage herself, but apparently did great execution with her guns, one report being that a hole was blown in the side of the fort fired at "large enough to build a church in." The untried vessels seem to be giving a good account of themselves. Why not let the submarine boat Holland show what she can do?

SUBSCRIPTIONS for the government's $200,000,000 of three per cent war bonds have been asked for this week, and from the early indications the amount will be largely over-subscribed. Coupon bonds will be issued in the denominations of $20, $100, $500 and $1000, and registered bonds of the same denominations in addition to $5000 and $10,000. In order to give small investors an opportunity to secure these bonds, all subscriptions for amounts of $500 or less will be allotted in the order received, the smaller sums first. The bonds will be dated August 1st, 1898, and will be redeemable in coin any time after ten years at the pleasure of the United States, and will bear interest at the rate of three per cent per annum. Subscriptions may be made at any post office.

THE Massachusetts Volunteer Aid Association, in order to follow out the precedent Massachusetts established years ago of caring for her sick and wounded soldiers in the wars, has secured a ship which is to be named the Bay State, and will be used as a floating hospital, supply ship and transport for the sick and wounded. It will be provided with a plant for the manufacture of ice, a cold storage system for carrying fresh food, will be stocked with medical supplies and carry experienced surgeons and nurses. It will also serve as a transport to bring sick and wounded from the Cuban battlefields or the Southern camps to the cooler climate of the north, will sail under the Red Cross flag and thus be protected from hostile interference. The vessel and equipment will cost about $35,000, and the running expenses will be about $5000 a month. The ship is already being fitted up, and contributions are asked to meet the bills as they become due. Money may be sent to Col. Henry L. Higginson, treasurer of the Massachusetts Volunteer Aid Association, 50 State Street, Boston. The cause is a good one, and contributions cannot be too large.

IMPERIALISM. That's the word which names a grave danger now threatening this country. A short time ago we commenced a war in the interests of humanity, but now private interests seeking commercial gain are creeping in, and we hear it said that we should retain possession of the Philippines, establish a military empire there, and also hold Cuba, Porto Rico, and what other possessions seem likely to come to us as a result of the war. We should do no such thing. It would be against our principles and might involve us in difficulties which would cause our downfall. We are strong and mighty, but are not so mighty that we cannot be overthrown. Rome was powerful. When she exerted every effort to attain a high citizenship at home, she prospered, but when she attempted to conquer the world she met her doom. If we seek to acquire possessions in foreign lands and become entangled in intricate affairs with other nations, Rome's history may prove to be ours. What right have we to govern the Philippine islanders, the Cubans or Porto Ricans against their will? Were they not born free and equal, and isn't liberty and freedom as much theirs as it is ours. We have all the world we want and all we need. We had better build a fence around that which we have, stay at home and endeavor to improve our own conditions, for which improvement there is much room. If we can succeed in quieting the disturbed conditions between labor and capital, equalize our taxation—now unjust—establish a sound currency system, wipe out low politics and evil and the corrupt influence of money in legislation, protect the lives of our colored citizens in the South and secure good government in our great cities, we shall be doing ourselves and the world an inestimable good.

WAR NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The Principal Events and Rumors of the Past Seven Days.

Below will be found a resumé of the most important war news since the JOURNAL'S last issue, the various items appearing under the date on which they were made public through the daily papers.

Saturday.

An American was reported to have been arrested at Algeciras, on the bay of Gibraltar, charged with having in his possession plans of the fortifications at Cadiz.

Gov. Wolcott says that definite assurances have been received from Washington that the 5th regiment will go to the front under the second call of the president for volunteers.

Navy department at Washington announces the Marblehead and Yaukee to be in possession of the harbor of Guantanamo, by orders of Admiral Sampson.

The Monterey on its journey to Manila sighted a number of miles out of her course, under tow of the collier Brutus. It is thought that she may have found it necessary to seek quiet water for repairs.

Report from Cape Henry received saying that four Spanish warships were lurking about the capes.

Sunday.

The government of Paraguay has notified the commander of the Spanish torpedo gunboat Temeriao, now at Asuncion, that if he was to remain in port he must disarm his vessel. He refused to do so and was ordered to leave as soon as repairs were completed on the machinery. This is the vessel which was thought by some would do injury to the Oregon.

News received of the landing of marines at Guantanamo, a town about 40 miles east of Santiago de Cuba. Several vessels had bombarded the defenses of the town and on Friday morning a detachment of marines were landed on the eastern side of the harbor from the Oregon. Camp was selected and arrangements made for the landing of 600 marines from the Panther, whose arrival was expected. This vessel arrived in the afternoon and landed the expected marines. They are to await the arrival of troops from Tampa.

Monday.

Intelligence received of a fierce fight between the marines landed at Guantanamo and Spanish guerillas, in which four marines were killed and one wounded. The fighting commenced Saturday afternoon and continued until Sunday morning, when reinforcements were landed from the Marblehead. The main attack was made about midnight, when the Spaniards charged up the hill on which the marines were camped. They met with a hot fire and broke before they were one-third of the distance up. Until morning there was firing from small squads in various directions. The men killed were Assistant Surgeon John Blair Gibbs of New York, Sergeant Charles H. Smith of Smallwood, Private William Dunphy of Gloucester, Private James McColhan of Stoneham. The advance pickets under Lieuts. Neville and Shaw were unaccounted for.

Tuesday.

Further news received of the fight at Guantanamo. Sunday morning the Spaniards resumed firing, but a few shells from the warships sent in their direction soon silenced them. The detachment of advance pickets, which had not been seen since the first fight, arrived during the day, after having passed through a severe engagement. They had one man killed and inflicted quite a loss on the Spaniards, five of whom were known to have been sent to the other world. Reinforcements were landed from the Texas and Marblehead.

It was announced at Washington that the transport fleet had sailed for Santiago. Maj.-Gen. Shafter is in command and has a force of 773 officers and 14,564 men. The 2d Mass. regiment accompanies the expedition. The fleet is under the convoy of 16 warships, headed by the battleship Indiana.

The San Francisco grounded Monday morning near High Head life-saving station, while rounding Cape Cod in a dense fog. In the evening she was pulled off by several tugs, no serious damage resulting.

Wednesday.

The Spaniards again attacked the marines at Guantanamo Sunday evening, the fighting lasting all through the night. Two marines were killed and four wounded. The Spaniards are known to have lost fifteen men, which were found in a fort taken by Lieut. Neville.

A telegram was received from Admiral Sampson stating that Lieut. Blue had encircled the bay of Santiago and counted the vessels there, with the result of establishing the fact that all of Cervera's fleet were bottled up.

A British captain just in New York from San Juan, Porto Rico, says that the bombardment of the forts at that place by the American ships resulted in no serious damage. The torpedo boat Terror was in the harbor when he sailed.

Thursday.

The second expedition for Manila sailed Wednesday from San Francisco. It was composed of the China, Colon, Zealander and Senator, all loaded with troops. They will sail without convoy to Honolulu, from which place to Manila they will be accompanied by naval vessels.

Dispatches from Madrid state that Capt.-Gen. Blanco has been authorized to exchange the Merrimac prisoners, and that the Spanish foreign minister has ordered Du Bosc and Carranza to leave Canada.

The dynamite cruiser was tested off Santiago Monday night, when three dynamite charges were fired in quick succession at a Spanish fortification. There were tremendous explosions when the charges struck, and great damage is thought to have been done.

The American marines who have been attacked several times at Guantanamo by the Spaniards, joined forces with the Cubans Tuesday and assumed the offensive. They marched five miles and attacked a Spanish camp, putting four hundred Spaniards to flight, killing two and wounding two. A well at the camp, the only one for six or seven miles around, was destroyed. It is thought that the destruction of the camp will stop the bushwacking operations of the enemy.

Friday.

Rear Admiral Sampson's fleet bombarded the batteries at Santiago de Cuba for the third time yesterday morning at daylight. For over an hour the ships pounded the batteries at the right and left of the entrance, sparing El Morro, where Lieut. Hobson and his companions of the Merrimac are in prison. The main assault was directed against the western batteries, and they were badly wrecked and the guns silenced before the fleet withdrew from the attack. At first the Spaniards fired rapidly, but as wildly as usual, and not a ship was struck nor a man injured on the American side. The enemy's loss of life is believed to have been very heavy.

Wednesday the Texas, Marblehead and Suwanee bombarded a brick fort and earthworks at Caimanera, and demolished them after an hour's firing.

It is rumored that Spanish reserve squadron has sailed from Cadiz, its destination being unknown.

A rumor has come from Hong Kong that some of the United States transports from San Francisco have been sighted off Iloilo, island of Panay, Philippine islands. These are probably the steamers Australia, City of Pekin and City of Sidney, having on board 2500 soldiers, which left San Francisco May 25th and were expected to arrive at Manila about the 20th of this month.

PALMER NEWS.

GRAMMAR SCHOOLS GRADUATION.

Programmes to be Carried Out in the Several Villages Next Friday.

The grammar schools of the four villages of the town will hold graduation exercises Friday afternoon, when the year for that grade will close. Special programmes have been prepared, and the public is invited to attend.

PALMER.

The exercises in the Depot village will be held in Memorial Hall at 3 o'clock, with this programme:

THEME: Massachusetts.*

Class Poem, Mary Holden
Chorus, "Trusting,"
Essay, "Her Forefathers and Foremothers," John Slattery.
Recitation, "Christening the Mountains," Lillian Peck.
Chorus, "My Native Land," School
Essay, "Her Sons," Louis Brainerd
Recitation, "A Tender Act," Mary Holden
Chorus, "A Swinging Song," School
Essay, "Her Daughters," Lillian Peck
Recitation, "Trying to Fly," Louis Brainerd
Chorus, "A Vesper Song," School
Recitation, "The Slaves of Martinique," John Slattery.
Essay, "Her Education," Mary Holden
Presentation of Certificates, Supt. A. C. Thompson.
Chorus, "Parting Song," School

THORNDIKE.

The exercises in this village will be in the hall of the new school building, and the following programme will be presented by the scholars, the names of the graduates being designated by a dagger (†):

Mareb.
Chorus, "My Native Land," School
Salutatory, with recitation, "King Robert of Sicily," Mabel C. Bishop.†
Oration, "The Polish Boy," James O'Keefe†
Chorus, "The Vesper Hymn," School
Recitation, "The Painter of Seville," Louise M. Longtine.†
Chorus, "Trust," School
Oration, "Cuba," Patrick F. Daley†
Violin Solo, "Crown of Gold," George D. Whiting.
Oration, "Triumphs of Electricity," Nichola J. Guillow†
Chorus, "A Summer Picture," School
Duet, Misses Longtine and Bishop
Class History, Freeman Ramsdell
Prophecy, Louise M. Longtine†
Chorus, "Echo Song," School
Oration and Valedictory Address, "The Deathbed of Benedict Arnold," John Lawton.†
Chorus, "Parting Song," School
Presentation of Diplomas, W. A. Breckenridge
Class Song.

THREE RIVERS.

The school in this village will hold its graduation exercises in the Baptist church with this programme:

Song, "My Native Land." School
Salutatory. Knox Ruggles
Recitation, "The Painter of Seville," Delia O'Connor.
Song, "Trust," School
Class History. Albert C. Grise
Recitation, "The Fireman's Prayer Clarence F. Collins.
Class Statistics. Anna Ahare
Song, "Swing Song," School
Recitation, "How He Saved St. Michael's," Arthur W. Provo.
Class Prophecy. Lisle Percy
Quotations. Kelfe Paine
Song, "Hark, the Vesper Hymn," School
Recitation, "The Switchman's Story," Nellie E. Hecox.
Valedictory. Charles Barber
Song, "Parting Song," School
Presentation of certificates.

BONDSVILLE.

Agent Childs's new barn will be the scene of the exercises, with this programme:

Music, "Greeting Glee," School
Salutatory. William Daniel Banister
Declamation, "President Lincoln's Second Inaugural Address," Lester Fayette Alden.
Music, "Trust," School
Recitation, "The Blind Girl of Pompeii," Lena May Dustin.
Essay, "Cuba." Harry Melville Lee
Music, "Swing Song," School
Recitation, "The Drawbridge Keeper," Margaret Sullivan.
Declamation, "Chickamauga, 1898," William Daniel Banister.
Music, "Leaf by Leaf the Roses Fall," School
Recitation, "Nearer to Thee," Rose Estelle Alexander.
Declamation, "Horatius at the Bridge," Patrick Lawrence Sullivan.
Music, "We are Nymphs of the Ocean Spray," School.
Recitation, "The Soldier's Reprieve," Margaret Ashe.
Declamation, "Darius Green and His Flying Machine," Harry Melville Lee.
Music, "Hark! The Vesper Hymn," School
Essay, Class Flower, Margaret Sullivan
Essay, Class History, Lena May Dustin
Essay, Class Prophecy, Rose Estelle Alexander
Valedictory, Margaret Ashe
Music, "Parting Song," Class
Presentation of Diplomas.

A WOMAN'S SHARP TONGUE.

It Stirs Up Considerable Excitement in Three Rivers.

The village of Three Rivers was treated to something of a sensation on Monday, when a young woman who had imbibed more of the ardent than was good for her made a tour of the place and gave her unbiased opinion of various persons in language more forcible than elegant. She threatened to expose numerous persons about the village, and there were several who were considerably worried lest she should tell all she knew, and whose sleep was not of the most peaceful order Monday night. The young woman's name was Sarah Morgan, employed a few weeks ago as a weaver in the mill, and she started on her revel Sunday. She was given some good advice and promised to keep out of trouble and go to her friends Monday, but instead proceeded to attempt to drown her troubles, with the result that they were apparently magnified the more, and she started out to acquaint the citizens with them. She visited various places and made herself particularly disagreeable, and withal made some pretty serious charges against certain persons in the community. Officer Northrop of Palmer was finally sent for and she was arrested about the middle of the afternoon. She spent the night in the lockup, and was arraigned on a charge of drunkenness Tuesday morning, pleaded guilty, and the case was continued for sentence during good behavior. She confided freely in the officer while on her way to the lockup, and on being questioned Tuesday regarding her statements affirmed that they were all true, but refused to make any complaints, greatly to the relief of a portion of the male population of Three Rivers. She alleged numerous insults during her stay in the place, and at least one man has lost his position because of his connection with the affair, while other discharges may follow.

High School Class Day Exercises.

The class day exercises of the graduating class of the high school will be held on the school lawn Wednesday evening, June 29th. Following is the programme:

President's address, Henry W. McGilp
Class history, Ethel M. Miller
Statistics, Marion N. Andrews
Quotations, Jessica E. Whiting
Prophecy, Elizabeth L. Henighan
Class will, Sadie A. Whiting, Maud M. Kinnevan
Class poem, Mamie A. Roche
Sermon, Dorothy E. Todd

There are nine members in the graduating class. Their names and the subjects of their essays follow: Marion Nina Andrews, "Minstrelsy of the Middle Age;" Elizabeth Iola Henigban, "Should Hawaii be annexed to the United States?" Maud Margaret Kinnevan, "A trip to Klondike;" Ethel May Miller, "Grand Army reunion;" Henry William McGilp, "Why we need a navy;" Mamie Annetta Roche, "What an arrow-head revealed;" Dorothy Eilcen Todd, "Cuba considered from a commercial standpoint;" Jessica Edith Whiting, "Famous hells;" Sadie Amelia Whiting, "Woman's works."

With the Troops at Tampa.

By the courtesy of C. E Dewey we are able to give the following extract from a letter from Mrs. Dewey's brother, Capt. George H. Palmer, of the 16th U. S. Regular Infantry, dated at Tampa, Fla., Sunday, the 12th, on board the steamer San Marcas:

We have been rushing for two months to get ready and to get here prepared to sail against Spain. Now, to-night, we are all on board ships in Tampa bay harbor, and the expectations are that we sail to-morrow, though we do not certainly know, neither do we know where we are going—only a few know that. We have here now a big fleet of transports and war vessels. I am on a good ship. We have plenty of provisions and hope to go and come back all right. I wish the journey there was over, as I dread the seasickness, which I am almost sure to have. I am in pretty good health, and have not suffered from the heat here. Cuba is said to be cooler than here. There are about 1200 troops on the San Marcas.

THREE RIVERS WINS THE SECOND.

A Very Pretty Game, Which Three Rivers Had All Her Own Way.

The second championship game between Three Rivers and Thorndike at the latter place Saturday was very prettily played, Three Rivers winning, 7 to 3. Three Rivers had strengthened her team since its defeat on the previous Saturday with three new players, and Thorndike had a new pitcher. Lynch of Holyoke was on the rubber for Three Rivers and pitched a good game. Thorndike had no great difficulty in finding his curves but could not hit them safely, securing but six hits. Keye and Donovan of Bondsville played for Three Rivers, the latter making a star catch from Roche's bat in deep center in the seventh. Brown of Millbury did the twirling for Thorndike and did well, Three Rivers making most of their hits in the second and sixth innings. Lane's batting was a feature, as was the fielding of Hurley, Nelson, Shaw and Kennedy.

"Bill" Riley opened the battle for Thorndike and filed to Lane. Kennedy and Fay went out, Gorman to Story. Donovan started the game for Three Rivers, going out Kennedy to Shaw. Story fouled and Keycroft disposed of Shaw and Nelson in the 2d inning on fouls, and with Story vanquished Brown. For Three Rivers, Lane hit safe by third, was advanced to that base on hits by Keycroft and Keye, and scored on Gorman's fly. Connor flied out to Hurley and Lynch was retired by Shaw, Brown assisting. In the third Thorndike got two men on bases on an error by Lane and a hit by Kennedy, but failed to score. Three Rivers was blanked in their half, though Sullivan got in a pretty two-bagger. In the fourth Thorndike filled the bases on hits by Shaw and Nelson, a sacrifice by Brown and a free pass to Longtine, but Hurley fouled, Roche struck out and no runs were scored. Three Rivers went out in order, as did Thorndike in the first of the fifth. Three Rivers got three men on bases in their half but by good luck Thorndike retired them without a run. In the sixth Brown hit close to the foul flag in left and made two bases. Longtine was given his base on balls, but Nelson went out on an infield fly and Hurley flied to Connor. For Three Rivers, Lane hit into the woods and the ball was lost, and before its whereabouts were known he had circled the bases. Hits by Connor, Gorman and Lynch netted three more in this inning. In the seventh Thorndike failed to score, though it was suspected that it might be a "lucky" inning. Three Rivers made two more runs by Lane and Connor and an error by Fay, after two men had been retired. In the eighth both teams went out in order. Now came Thorndike's last chance to win, and they seized it with desperation. All the kids who hadn't peeped before came down on the lines and yelled themselves hoarse. Nelson was given his base on balls. Hurley went out, Lane to Story. Roche hit safe. Riley was given his base, as was Kennedy, forcing in Nelson. Fay was hit with the ball, forcing in Roche. Shaw flew out to Lane, and in trying to make a double Story erred and Riley scored. Brown was given a free pass to first and the bases were full. Longtine struck out, ending the game. The score:

T. Rivers.	r	h	po	a	e	Thorndike.	r	b	po	a	e
Donovan, m	0	0	2	0	0	Riley, m,	1	1	1	1	1
Story, l,	0	0	1	0	0	Kennedy, s,	0	1	1	4	2
Sullivan, c,	0	1	6	0	0	Fay, 2,	0	0	1	0	3
Lane, 2,	3	3	3	3	1	Shaw, 1,	0	1	6	0	0
Kyecroft, 3,	1	1	3	3	1	Brown, p,	0	1	0	3	0
Keye, l,	0	1	0	0	0	Longtine, c,	0	0	4	1	0
Connor, r,	1	2	1	1	0	Nelson, 3,	0	1	1	2	2
Gorman, s,	1	1	1	2	0	Hurley, m'	0	0	4	0	0
Lynch, p,	1	1	0	1	0	Roche, l,	1	1	0	0	0
Total,	7	10	26	11	4	Total,	3	6	22	9	6

Three Rivers, 0 1 0 0 0 4 2 0 —7
Thorndike, 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 3 —3

Times at bat, Three Rivers 37, Thorndike 40. Earned runs, Three Rivers 3. Sacrifice hits, Brown, Lynch. Two-base hits, Brown, Sullivan, Gorman, Lynch. Connor. Home run, Lane. First base on balls, Keye, Longtine 3, Nelson, Riley, Kennedy, Brown. Left on bases, Three Rivers 4, Thorndike 4. Struck out, by Lynch 5, by Brown 2. Batter hit, Fay. Time 2 hrs. Umpires, King and McCarty.

Drowned at the Electric Plant.

John A. McKenzie, 26, was drowned in the pond of the Central Massachusetts Electric Company at Blanchardville Sunday morning while bathing. Several companions were with him and they immediately gave the alarm. Help soon arrived from Palmer and efforts were made to recover the body. Divers attempted to locate it and the pond was dragged for several hours. It was finally brought to the surface by Sheriff H. A. Northrop, who caught it upon a grappling iron. It was viewed by Medical Examiner Holbrook and taken in charge by Undertaker Loomis.

McKenzie was a carpenter and was employed in the construction of the new building at the electric light plant, having come here from Worcester a few weeks ago. It is thought that McKenzie was seized with a cramp. He could swim and had been in bathing in the same place but a few days before. At the time of the accident he was some distance from his companions, who noticed that he was in trouble. One of them swam towards him and as he neared him tried to catch him by the hand, but McKenzie, with a look on his face as if in great pain, did not speak and sank. Friends arrived Monday and took charge of the body, it being sent to his home in Canada.

The New Ball Team.

The newly organized Palmer and Bondsville Consolidated baseball team will open the season to-morrow afternoon on the park, when it will cross bats with the Three Rivers team. The consolidated team will probably be made up as follows: Pitcher, Dillon of Holyoke; catcher, Bruton of Chicopee Falls; 1st base, Shaw of Palmer; 2d base, Donovan of Bondsville; 3d base, Connor of Bondsville; short stop, Nelson of Palmer; left field, Kee of Bondsville; center field, Collins of West Warren; right field, Dewey of Palmer. The team has new uniforms, shirt, pants and cap of a Yale grey, with navy blue stockings, and a large black P on the left of the shirt, with a small one upon the cap; they will be worn for the first time tomorrow. It is the intention of the management to have a strong team and to play at the Palmer park every Saturday afternoon, with a few exceptions, when the team will visit other towns. During the season some of the strongest teams in Western Massachusetts will be seen at the park. It is hoped that the people will give the team the support that it deserves. J. J. Conway of Bondsville is the manager.

No Electrics Yet---Will Probably Run the Middle of Next Week.

Owing to an unfortunate combination of unforseen events the electric cars were not started last Saturday, as was expected. The rebuilding of the electric light plant, on a considerably more elaborate scale than formerly, with the changes incidental to the new and larger construction, has developed several matters which could not be foreseen. When the water was let into the canal last week trouble was found in one of the wheel pits, followed by a leak in the canal. The former has been fixed and work on the latter is well along toward completion. Unless other unforeseen delays occur it is confidently expected that the cars will be running by the middle of next week. The car line was ready as far as Three Rivers last week, and is now in running order to Bondsville.

Mrs. Hubbard Lawrence is visiting friends in Worcester.

The selectmen have appointed G. A. Rice a sworn weigher.

Frank M. Connor has been granted an original pension.

F. M. Eager is making alterations on his Main street block.

The Block Island train will be put on the C. V. road the 25th.

Mrs. L. A. Royce has been visiting in Worcester this week.

Mrs. Randall of Pleasant street is visiting her sister in Westfield.

Subscriptions for war loan bonds will be received at the post office.

Mrs. Albert Ferry is visiting friends in Whately and Northampton.

Mr. May of Park street will move his family to Chicopee next week.

Harry Shaw of Brookfield was the guest of his father, W. L. Shaw, Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Atkins, who is visiting in Somerville, was in town this week.

Dr. S. B. Keith will leave Monday for a week's vacation in New Hampshire.

Miss Linda Hawley Brigham is in town, the guest of her sister, Mrs. E. P. Ball.

Mrs. G. H. Wilkins has been spending the week with her sister in Brunswick, Me.

Robert Stebbins has finished his studies at Hinman's Business College, Worcester.

W. E. Tuthill of Brown University is spending the summer vacation at his home.

Mrs. C. E. Fish and daughters, Annie and Pearl, are visiting in Schraalenburg, N. J.

Hubbard Lawrence has gone to North Adams to attend the funeral of Samuel Hibbard.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Saunders of New London were guests at C. D. Holbrook's Saturday.

G. W. Lyman has moved his family to Springfield. They will reside at 92 Buckingham street.

The high school ball team was defeated by the Wesleyan Academy team at Wilbraham yesterday, 12 to 9.

Rev. O. G. Petrie will attend a meeting of the Universalist Union Association at Spencer Wednesday.

There will be a special meeting of the school committee in the high school building next Monday afternoon.

Miss M. K. Norton, who has been the guest of Mrs. W. J. Oare, has returned to her home in Rutland, Vt.

Mrs. J. T. Denning, who has been visiting friends in town, returned to her home in Willimantic, Ct., Saturday.

H. B. May of Lee, formerly of Palmer, has received an appointment as paymaster in the army, with the rank of major.

John Desmond is serving on the jury and Frank Roche is taking his place in the finishing room at the carpet mill.

Letters are advertised at the post office for J. A. Dow, John Finnerty, Michael Judge, Clayton Slaughter, William B. Smith.

There will be preaching in the Baptist church next Sunday morning by Rev. C. R. Minard. Subject, "Real and unreal."

Clerk of Courts A. E. Fitch and family went to Forest Lake yesterday, where Mr. Fitch owns a cottage, to spend the summer.

Another large addition was made Tuesday to the number of patients at the epileptic hospital, and there are now 124 at the institution.

Miss Elizabeth Henighan of the class of '98, P. H. S., has been given a gold watch and chain by her parents as a graduation present.

Supt. of Schools and Mrs. A. C. Thompson attended an outing of the Headmaster's Club of Western Massachusetts at North Adams Saturday.

Supt. McKenzie and W. D. Vaill, claim agent of the Central Vermont road, passed over the road this week in a special train, settling fire claims.

John Lyman, who sprained his ankle on Monday of last week by falling from an electric light pole, is now able to be about with the aid of crutches.

Leon Ezekiel celebrated his sixth birthday at his home on North Main street Wednesday afternoon by giving a party to a number of his young friends.

Members of the Revere chapter, Eastern Star, attended an exemplification of the work of the order at Springfield yesterday, given by the chapters of this district.

Miss Bessie Royce will leave to-morrow to attend commencement exercises at Tilton Seminary, N. H. Miss Royce is to take part in the musical programme of the exercises.

The senior class of the high school will give a lawn party and entertainment at the high school building this evening. A musical and literary programme is to be rendered.

A. B. Crawford has sold his jewelry store in the Nassowanno block to G. F. Lowell, who took possession Tuesday. Mr. Crawford is to locate in Illinois in the near future.

Work on the state road near Fosket's Mills is progressing rapidly, and something like a third of a mile is completed. It is being built of gravel, which is obtained in a hillside near the highway.

C. B. Fiske and daughters, May and Ruth, will attend the joint excursion of the Suburban and Massachusetts Press associations which will leave Boston Sunday evening for Halifax, returning on Friday.

At the Universalist church next Sunday morning there will be baptism of children and rite of confirmation. The pastor will preach a sermon to the children, with asides to their elders. All are welcome.

Miss Margaret Brennan was thrown from her wheel on Main street Tuesday evening, being rendered unconscious and sustaining a bad cut over the right eye. She was taken to LeGro's drug store, and was attended by Dr. Hendee.

The people of Silver Street will hold a strawberry festival in their new chapel next Tuesday evening, in an endeavor to raise the balance needed to make the building free of debt, and a number of Palmer people are planning to attend.

St. Paul's church has been presented with a flag, which was flung to the breeze last evening. There was singing by the school children and an address by Rev. O. G. Petrie. A large number of people witnessed the raising of the flag.

The first real thunder storm of the season developed Tuesday afternoon. There was some pretty vivid lightning for a time, and the loudness of the thunder indicated close proximity of the fluid, but so far as known it did not strike in this vicinity.

Some of the finest strawberries seen this season found their way to the JOURNAL office Wednesday from the vines of N. K. Rogers at Three Rivers. They were of splendid color, fine flavor, and of good size, only 65 being being required to fill a quart box.

Palmer will allow the Fourth to pass without any general celebration, the bicycle races on the park, the attractions at Forest Lake, and the numerous ball games in the vicinity giving a variety of amusements to choose from for the person who wishes excitement at that time.

Dr. H. E. Siske is spending a vacation at his home on State avenue, having been graduated from Tufts Medical School. Miss Lucretia Siske and Mrs. L. H. Hendee attended a reception given by the graduating class at the Vendome Hotel, Boston, Friday evening.

After a number of decidedly torrid days, when thin clothes, palmleaf fans, iced drinks and a temptation to impolite language abounded, the mercury took a drop Wednesday, so much so that furnace fires were not uncomfortable that evening, and there came near being a frost, though no damage to vegetation has been reported.

Thomas lodge of Masons is to attend St. John's Day services at the Congregational church, Thorndike, the 26th, at 4 p. m. The lodge will be organized at Masonic hall at 3.15, and will take special electric cars to the church. The sermon will be preached by Rev. G. M. Gerrish. The public will be welcome to the services at the church.

The Eastern Hampden Agricultural Society is to hold a harvest concert and ball in the opera house Tuesday evening, Sept. 20th, the night of the first day of the fair. The Westfield band has been engaged to furnish music both days of the fair. A new feature which is to be added to the attractions at this year's fair will be a cat show.

Dennis Cahill, John McGuire and Frank McGuire, Monson boys, charged with disturbing the peace, were before the court Saturday morning. They were alleged to have taken part in the recent disturbance on Flyut park when a picnic party was broken up. Frank McGuire was discharged, and the cases of the other two were continued from day to day.

The match trotting race on the park Saturday between W. Chilson's "Jim Amber" and Thomas Blanchard's "Young Roscoe" was won by "Jim Amber" in three straight heats. Time, 2.52½, 2.51, 2.41. The race scheduled between "B. H. D." and "Robert E.," Monson horses, was not run, on account of the lameness of one of the animals. Dr. S. H. Ellery was judge.

Mrs. Timothy Leary of Ware died at the town farm Tuesday morning, and her body was interred in the Catholic cemetery at Thorndike yesterday. Mrs. Leary was found unconscious beside the road in Palmer Center a number of weeks ago, having been stricken with a shock, and was removed to the town farm, where she has since remained, not being in condition to be removed to Ware.

A Palmer wheelman was deliberately pushed from his wheel and against a stone wall Tuesday by a Polander while riding through Thorndike. There was no provocation whatever. The rider was the last of a party of three, and as he attempted to pass the man was suddenly pushed over. This is not the first complaint of this nature, and the bicycle riders are threatening to retaliate if the practice is continued.

The managers of Forest Lake are preparing for an elaborate celebration at that place on the Fourth of July. There will be a brass band in attendance all day, dancing will be in order forenoon, afternoon and evening, and there will be the usual boating, bowling, refreshments, etc. A naphtha launch has been purchased, and will make frequent tours of the lake, and in the evening there will be a grand electric illumination, as it is proposed to have both arc and incandescent lights installed before that time.

H. A. Northrop's big horse, attached to an ice wagon, did a lively turn through Main and Walnut streets Tuesday morning. It became frightened while standing in the rear of Caryl's block and ran out of the alley to Main street, then turned the corner and went up Walnut street at a fast clip to Park, where it was thrown to the ground by a misstep on the curbing and captured. The horse was not injured and the wagon was but slightly damaged. In turning the corner at Walnut street a pair of scales hanging on a hook at the rear of the wagon were thrown through the window of LeGro's drug store.

The Boston and Albany railroad has arranged the following excursions: To Niagara Falls, July 2 to 5, fare for round trip $10; Christian Endeavor excursion to Nashville, Tenn., July 5 to 12, inclusive, fare round trip, $25.65; G. A. R. encampment at Cincinnati, Sept. 5 to 10, inclusive, fare round trip, $17.70; Boston, account of Sovereign Grand I. O. O. F., Sept. 19 to 24, fare round trip, $2.55; Indianapolis, account of Lesgne of American Wheelmen, August 9 to 13, fare round trip, $19.25. Excursion rates are also offered to the Trans-Mississippi and International Exposition at Omaha, Neb., via Chicago. The fare for the round trip from Palmer is $52.90.

A patriotic concert will be given in the Universalist church next Sunday evening by the Sunday school, with the following programme:

Declaration, Sadie Thompson
Song, "O, the Flag of Our Own Country," Primary classes.
Flag Song, Sabra Hendee
Song, "God Bless Our Soldiers," Addie Coles
"Our Heroes," Clayton Maxwell
"Mending the Old Flag," Helen Ely
"My Native Land," Grover Goodes
Vocal Duet, Sadie Thompson, Kate Mattlews
"A Flag Song," Ella Webster
"A Song of the Times," Sydney Trumble
"The Thirteen Colonies," Two classes of girls
"Our Flag." George Warner

Patriotic songs will be sung and the audience is invited to join in their singing. Members of the Grand Army, Woman's Relief Corps and Sons of Veterans are invited to attend.

The high school ball team went to Holyoke Wednesday and played the high school team of that city, being defeated 11 to 10. The local team outbatted their opponents, and bad it not been for several unfortunate and untimely errors would have won. Great credit is due them for their nerve in playing the Holyoke team, which has a standing challenge to any high school team in the state and has defeated the freshman teams of several colleges. They expected to get "walloped" unmercifully, but they gave an excellent account of themselves and made the Holyokes hustle to win. The score by innings:

Holyoke High, 0 0 6 2 1 0 0 1 1—11
Palmer High, 0 0 1 0 0 3 5 0 1—10

Batteries, Holyoke, Lane and Leary; Palmer, Riley and Shaw. Hits, Holyoke 10, Palmer 12. Errors, Holyoke 4, Palmer 8.

Manager Tufts has added three match races to the list of events for the bicycle tournament on the park July 4th. F. W. Ruggles of Ware and I. G. Perry of Chicopee are to meet in a half-mile paced race which should be a hot one. Ruggles is the fastest rider in this section, while Perry is one of the speediest riders in the vicinity of Springfield and has done good work this year. W. J. Knowlton of Bondsville and A. M. Walker of Monson will contest for supremacy in a three-lap race, paced. In this race no records will be counted, and the riders are free to push their best, which, with the rivalry existing, assures an interesting event. W. F. Gaffney and J. D. McGrath of Palmer will meet in a three-lap unpaced race. The riders are to start a quarter of a mile apart and the one making the fastest time will be declared the winner.

One thing which bicyclists will do well to remember, and that is to turn to the right always when meeting a team or other wheelman, and to keep on the right of the road whenever possible, especially at night. The rules of the road governing teams apply with equal force to riders of the wheel. Particular attention should be paid to the right of the road rule on Thorndike street, especially the lower end, where the trees make a dense shadow, even when the electrics are burning. The west side of the street has been used largely, both going up and down the street, and numerous narrow escapes have resulted from rapid riding there after dark. Teams coming down the hill naturally keep to the right or west side of the street, and bicyclists going up should take the other. Failure to do so relieves the driver of a horse from responsibility in case of collision, and in such an event the wheelman would not only have his

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FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 17, 1898.

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

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LOCAL NOTICES.

Hard and soft wood, fence and clothes posts.
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MORE JUNE WEDDINGS.

Coyle—Crowley.

The wedding of Miss Marcella Coyle and John F. Crowley, barber for W. H. Anderson, took place at the parochial residence of St. Patrick's church Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the presence of only the two immediate families. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Thomas O'Keefe. The best man was Patrick Crowley, a brother of the groom, and the bridesmaid was Miss Kate Coyle, sister of the bride. The bride was prettily attired in white organdie with ribbon trimmings, and the bridesmaid wore yellow dimity. A reception followed at the bride's home on Bridge street, after which they were driven to Palmer and took the 6 49 train for Boston. They will remain away about a week, and on their return will reside in Martin Welcher's house on Pearl street.

Harris—McEwen.

The home of Mrs. Emma Harris was the scene of a quiet wedding Wednesday evening, when her daughter Ella was married to Wilbert O. McEwen, son of James McEwen of this place. The ceremony was performed at 8 o'clock in the presence of the two immediate families by Rev. A. R. Nichols of the Methodist church. The bridesmaid was Miss Della Harris, sister of the bride, and the best man was Frederick J. Flynt of this place. The ceremony was followed by a reception. Mr. and Mrs. McEwen will reside with Mr. McEwen's parents near State Line.

Academy Commencement Program.

Commencement exercises of Monson Academy will begin Sunday evening with a baccalaureate sermon by Dr. Bartlett of Hanover, N. H. Monday at 7 p. m. the class day exercises will be held in the chapel, with the following programme:

Greeting by President,	Charles P. Dow
Ivy Essay,	Clelia Davis
Class History,	A. J. Bullington
Class Prophecy,	Flora Markham
Statistics,	Roger F. Morris
Class Presentations,	W. R. Davis
Class Will,	Grace Moore
Class Prophecy,	R. H. Richards
Presentation of five pictures to the Academy,	H. W. Bugbee
Response,	One of the trustees
Class Poem,	H. W. Bugbee

To be sung by the class.

The graduation exercises will be held in Memorial Hall at 10 a. m. Tuesday. There are to be nine speakers, three chosen by rank,* three elected by the class,† and three elected by the faculty‡. Following is the programme:

Selections by Philharmonic orchestra.
Processional.
Academy chorus.
Invocation.
Academy chorus.
Salutatory with Essay.
"The Mythology of our Ancestors,"
*Hattie Leonora Stiles, Monson.
Oration, "Athletics in Ancient Times,"
†Cyrus Holmes Converse, Springfield.
Essay, "The Nebula Hypothesis,"
‡Lillian Gertrude Duncan, Monson.
Oration, "Advertising,"
‡Charles Pike Dow, Everett.
Essay, "National Flowers,"
‡Bertha Lillian Noble, Monson.
Oration, "Galileo Galilei,"
†Ernest Solomon Fuller, Somers, Ct.
Essay, "How Bryant Saw Nature,"
*Helen Maude Pease, Monson.
Oration, "The Near Future,"
‡Walter Raymond Davis, Monson.
Essay, "Faces"
Valedictory Addresses,
*Maude Aldrich, Monson.
Presentation of Diplomas.
"America."
Benediction.

Cinder Bicycle Path to Palmer.

The Monson Cycle League is pushing the matter of a cycle path between Monson and Palmer as rapidly as possible. A committee appointed by the league has been investigating and find that a good path can be built at no very great expense, which would make the cycling between the two towns as good as any in this section. The path, if built, will be a one mile strip from Leach's hill to Fay's bridge, which takes in the worst part of the road. It will be made of cinders, the entire expense to be borne by the league. A petition has been handed the selectmen asking for permission to build such a path, and as soon as it is granted the work of construction will begin.

Edward Peck of Springfield spent Sunday at his home here.

Albert Blanchard has been visiting his sister in North Hatfield.

Q. H. Ball and Henry F. Miller visited friends in Ware Sunday.

Frank Connell has gone to New York to learn the barber's trade.

Miss Edith Helm of Stafford Springs has been visiting Miss Florence Nelson.

George L. Keeney spent a few days this week at his former home in Vernon, Ct.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Howe returned Wednesday evening from their wedding trip.

Miss May Whitehead of Medford is visiting at C. A. Bradway's on Flynt avenue.

The Women's Relief Corps will hold its regular meeting next Wednesday evening.

The Ancient Order of Hibernians have leased Flynt's park for the annual Labor Day picnic.

Day Spring lodge of Masons has voted to omit regular meetings from now until September.

Miss Sarah Meacham, who has been employed in Amherst the past winter, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Manning are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter, Anna Elizabeth.

Herbert Warner is working in W. H. Anderson's barber shop evenings, during the absence of John F. Crowley.

Mrs. Norman Fenton returned Wednesday from Willimantic, where she has been on account of the illness of relatives.

John O'Brien of Somers and John Hughes of Springfield, both former residents of this place, visited friends in town Sunday.

Rev. Rush Rhees, professor in the Newton Theological Seminary, will preach in the Congregational church next Sunday morning.

Miss Florence C. Webber, who has been visiting at F. T. Smith's for the past few months, has returned to her home in Providence, R. I.

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MONSON.

Roy, the five-years-old son of Frank H. Johnson of East Hill, fell from a hammock Sunday afternoon and broke both bones in his left arm.

David B. Needham and Frank A. Bills, members of the Veteran Firemen's Association, attended the firemen's muster at Westfield yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Ricketts returned Saturday night from their wedding trip, and on Monday night left for Manchester, Ct., where they will reside.

Prof. and Mrs. J. C. Hartzell of Orangeburg, S. C., are visiting at Eben Thresher's on North Main street, where they expect to remain for the summer.

Alexander Murphy, for the past few years bleacher at Heimann & Lichten's hat shop, left Wednesday for Mansfield, where he has recently moved his family.

The Monson baseball team played their first game with the Lincoln Athletic Club nine at Stafford Springs Saturday. The score was 19 to 12 in the latter's favor.

The wet weather has made it necessary to make extensive repairs upon the organ at the Catholic church. While it is being repaired high mass will not be celebrated.

The friends of Dr. Lillian B. Neale of Monson will be pleased to learn that she has received the appointment of interne in the Massachussets Homeopathic Hospital in Boston.

Mrs. F. C. Parke and Miss Alice Parke have been attending the commencement exercises at Tufts College the past week, Mrs. Parke's son, Robert H., being a member of the graduating class.

The recital given by the violin pupils of R. S. Hitchcock of Springfield in the Academy Monday evening drew a large audience in spite of the storm. Each selection was well rendered.

William L. Ricketts left Monday afternoon for Eldorado, Ohio, where he will be married next Sunday to Miss Grace Blackford, sister of Rev. Harry Blackford, pastor of the Universalist church of this place.

Through the efforts of the Business Men's Association the Florida rolling exhibition car, sometimes called the Florida state fair on wheels, will stop at Monson next Tuesday. It will be located at the depot.

A special meeting of the fire department will be held Monday evening at 8 o'clock at No. 1 engine house. A full attendance is desired, as arrangements are to be made for a parade and hose race on the 4th of July.

O. W. Ellis & Son's woolen mill, which has been shut down for the past two weeks, started Monday morning on full time. Extensive repairs have been made, among them being a new dye house and water wheel.

Children's Day was observed Sunday at the Methodist and Congregational churches. Both churches were tastily decorated. The pastors preached appropriate sermons in the morning, and in the evening concerts were given by the children.

Postmaster Herlihy has received circulars from the treasury department, inviting subscriptions to the three per cent loan to provide means to meet war expenditures; also a supply of blank forms for subscriptions, which can be had by calling at the post office.

The Monson lodge of Odd Fellows observed Odd Fellows' memorial day Sunday. A delegation decorated the graves of Odd Fellows in the ont districts in the morning. At 1 30 in the afternoon they met at their hall in the bank block and marched to No. 1 cemetery, where exercises were held and the graves of seven Odd Fellows decorated.

Fred S. Chapman of Easthampton has purchased the drug store formerly owned by the late G. H. Stratton, and took possession Monday. Mr. Chapman comes to Monson highly recommended both in character and in his business. He is a graduate of the Boston School of Pharmacy, and has been employed for some time in a drug store at Dorchester.

The building recently occupied by Dr. P. W. Soule has been fitted up into rooms for young men of this town of good character, and will soon be opened for such. It is the first movement of this kind that has been undertaken in this town, and is on the plan of a Young Men's Christian Association. The rooms will be provided with literature and a piano, and possibly a gymnasium.

An umbrella mender was arrested Monday evening for disturbing the open-air meeting of the Salvation Army. He was taken to Northampton Tuesday and acquitted on the charge of drunkenness.

Edward A. Campbell has completed the census of the school children The number enrolled between the ages of 5 and 15 is 1464, against 1386 for last year. There are 84 children not quite 5 years old, but who will be of school age next September.

John H. Donnelly, who recently sold his furniture business to Thomas Naylor, has bought a half interest in the firm of F. M. Wood & Co., real estate brokers, with offices in Worcester and Boston. Mr. and Mrs. Donnelly are to live in Worcester.

A race meet is to be held on the driving park July 4th. The programme includes a 2.50 class, trot or pace, purse $150; a 2.34 class, trot or pace, purse $200; a running race, with or without saddles, purse $35; a match race between D. S. Kennedy's Longshot and P. J. Moriarty's Eros, Jr., for a purse of $60.

WALES.

Andrew J. Royce comes out with a fine horse purchased in Stafford.

Miss Dora Green came home Monday to spend the summer with her parents.

Several parties are haling their old hay to make room for the new crop, which looks well.

Rev. G. W. Davis is away for medical treatment. Mr. Wells of Palmer supplies for him in his absence.

Randolph D. Shaw returned Saturday with his bride, and will live at the residence of his parents on Main street.

Several persons, including ladies, have written letters to the soldier boys this week, and forwarded many articles for their comfort.

Workmen are putting the finishing touch on the tower of the Golden-rod mill. A bronze sheep is being erected as a weathervane.

A large number of the friends of George Steen gave him a surprise party Saturday evening and presented him with an elegant side-board. Mr. Steen was at his barber shop as usual during the evening; when he closed up some of his friends proposed that he accompany them to the hotel for a few moments, and on arriving there, much to his astonishment he found some sixty of his friends were in waiting. A collation was served and a very pleasant time enjoyed.

Found Dead in a Field.

Michael Cashman, 60, was found dead near his home in Wales yesterday. Mr. Cashman lived alone in a small house and was last seen alive Sunday morning between 5 and 6 o'clock by W. D. Hynes, a neighbor. At that time he was walking about the fields. Yesterday Mr. Hynes found the body by accident, a little distance from where he had last seen Mr. Cashman alive. Medical Examiner Holbrook of Palmer was called and viewed the body, and found that death was due to heart disease. Mr. Cashman leaves a widow, two sons and four daughters living in Milford. He had not lived with his family for several years.

WARREN.

The Tuesday club met with Mrs. E. J. Buck Tuesday afternoon.

The Grange will hold a strawberry festival in Brigham's hall this evening.

William Tarbell of Hudson is the guest of George Tarbell on Bacon street.

The Clara Barton Relief association met in Grand Army hall this afternoon

All the schools except the high school close to-day for the summer vacation.

Rev. Dwight Pratt of Auburndale will preach in the Congregational church next Sabbath.

The graduating exercises of the grammar school were held in the high school building this afternoon.

Mrs. Joseph Kingman, son and daughter of Minneapolis, Minn., are guests of Mrs. George Shumway.

The Warren auxiliary of the Volunteers' Aid association met in the Library hall Thursday afternoon.

A delegation from the Institute for the Blind at Hartford, Ct., will give a concert in the town hall next Monday evening.

There was an exhibition of the work in drawing and writing done in the public schools, at the high school building last Friday afternoon.

The children of the Volunteer League of the Rural Improvement society are preparing a very pleasing programme for the entertainment in the town hall this evening.

The Daughters of Rebecca had initiation of new members Monday evening at Brigham's hall. About 200 were present, including delegations from Ware, Brookfield and Spencer.

A large delegation from Warren will attend the meeting of the Quaboag Historical society, at North Brookfield, tomorrow. The address will be given by Dr. John Fiske, on "The Salem Witches."

The graduating exercises of the high school will be held in the town hall next Tuesday evening. The address will be given by Rev. Calvin Stebbins of Worcester. The reception and dance will be held in the same place Wednesday evening.

The Congregational and Methodist churches observed Sunday as Children's Sunday. The Congregational church was prettily decorated with laurel and maidenhair ferns. Rev. Mr. Fessenden preached a sermon to the children in the morning and in the evening a concert was given by the primary department. There were several pretty exercises, and a collection was taken for the fresh air fund. Quite a large class graduated into the intermediate department. The Methodist church was beautifully decorated with wild flowers and ferns.

Sunday was observed as Children's Day a the M. E. church. There was a sermon in the morning by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Sutherland, and a fine Sunday school concert programme was rendered in the evening.

LUDLOW.

Miss Edith Mae Smith of Columbus, O., is spending her summer vacation at her home here.

Brigham lodge of Masons conferred the third degree on a candidate Tuesday evening. After the initiation a collation was served.

Children's day was appropriately observed at the Union Congregational church Sunday. In the morning the pastor, Rev. W. H. Thomas, preached a sermon to the children and four received baptism. In the evening a concert was given by the Sunday school.

HAMPDEN.

C. S. Ballard of the Boston University Law School is home for the summer vacation.

Mrs. D. Frank Holmes and son of Boston have been the guests of Mrs. Marcus Beebe this week.

William J. R. Gardner fell from a staging several days ago and sustained several painful but not serious injuries.

H. H. Batchelor of Granby, who recently purchased the creamery, is in town making repairs on the building and machinery.

Business is good at the plant of the Hampden Mills Company, they having orders for fine covert cloth in excess of their capacity.

Mrs. Irving Bennett, who has been ill at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Goodwill, has recovered and returned to her home in Amherst.

WARE.

The body of Mrs. Mary Bradley, who died in Gilbertville Sunday, was interred in St. William's cemetery Tuesday afternoon.

A meeting of the Unitarian church committee was held Saturday, at which Rev. A. C. White, pastor, withdrew his resignation.

The engagement is announced of Carolyn Ellis, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Blodgett, to Dr. William Munson Goodwin of Newark, N. J.

The June festival held in the town hall Tuesday evening for the benefit of the building fund of All Saints' church was very largely attended.

Rev. Wesley Wiggin addressed the children in the morning, at which time the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Waters was baptized. In the evening there was a concert. At the Universalist church next Sunday will be observed as Children's Sunday.

BELCHERTOWN.

Mrs. Mellen Bray of Boston spent Sunday with her friend, Mrs. H. D. Longley.

The Woman's Relief Corps held a sociable in Grand Army Hall Wednesday evening.

Miss Susie Hubbard, a teacher in Thompson, Ct., is spending her vacation with her parents.

Preston Plantiff of Waltham spent Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Plantiff.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Bridgman have returned from a visit at the home of their son, H. B. Bridgman of Worcester.

Pearl Shumway entertained a party of friends Monday afternoon from three o'clock until six, the occasion being her 12th birthday.

Mrs. Jennie Hockenhull and Miss Mary Allen, who have been spending some time in Atlantic City and Jacksonville, have returned to Belchertown.

Mrs. S. J. Atwood, formerly of this town, who has been visiting at the home of her son, has gone to the hospital in North Adams for the treatment of a cancer.

Mrs. Martha Dickinson Church, of Belchertown.

The body of Julia E. Phelps, daughter of Rev. F. B. Phelps of Whiting, Vt., formerly of Belchertown, was brought here for burial Tuesday. Funeral services were held at the Congregational church Thursday afternoon, Rev. Mr. Gaylord of South Amherst officiating.

A Union Missionary meeting was held last week Thursday afternoon at the vestry of the Methodist church. The presidents of the two societies, Mrs M. A. Morse and Mrs. M. S. Longley, presided over the meeting. Those present answered the roll call by telling how they first became interested in missionary work, and a missionary salad was given each one present, that contained a missionary item. Miss Marion Bartlett read a paper on "The coming woman spiritually," Mrs. F. J. Morse one on how Mary Reed was cured of leprosy, Mrs. A. L. Kendall gave a very interesting account of her travels in Turkey, and Mrs. White gave blackboard illustrations of how the people live in India. Plans are being laid for a Fourth of July celebration.

Oldest Woman Resident Dead.

Mrs. Martha Dickinson Church died Wednesday of Bright's disease, being in her 96th year. Mrs. Church was the oldest woman resident of the town. She was born in Amherst November 26th, 1802, and was a daughter of the late Joseph Dickinson of that place, and widow of Louis Church, to whom she was married in 1850. Soon after their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Church removed to Florida, and remained there until 1874, when they came North to spend the summer. Mr. Church's death occurred soon after their arrival, and since that Mrs. Church had made her home in Enfield and Amherst until four years ago, when she came to Belchertown and had since made her home with Miss Ellen Blodgett. Mrs. Church was held in high esteem by all who knew her, and was a woman of fine Christian character. The funeral was held this afternoon at 1 p. m. at her late home; Rev G. J. Newton officiated and the burial was in Amherst.

High School Graduation Exercises.

The commencement exercises of the Belchertown high school will begin next Friday evening with the Longley prize speaking contest in the town hall, with the following programme:

Music,		Mrs. R. H. Long.
Recitation,	Agnes Cummings.	"Mary Garvin."
Recitation,		"Jamie."
	Annie Kennedy.	
Recitation,		"The Old Soldier's Story."
	Nellie Shea.	
Music,		Quartette.
Declamation,		"Memory of Washington."
	John Bowler.	
Declamation,		"Eulogy on Garfield."
	Francis Bartlett.	
Recitation,		"My Great Mistake."
	Ella Stebbins.	
Declamation,		"John Grey."
	John Searl.	
Music,		Quartette.
Recitation,		"One Niche the Greatest."
	Leona Williams.	
Declamation,		"Snakes in the Grass."
	George Green.	
Declamation,		"King Robert of Sicily."
	Philip Bridgman.	

Music.
Awarding of prizes.

Sunday morning, the 26th, at 10.45, Rev. A. H. Manee will preach the baccalaureate sermon in the Baptist church. On the following Monday the graduation exercises will be held in the Congregational church at 8 p. m., with this programme:

March,		Miss Nellie Rice.
Invocation,		Rev. J. G. Newton.
Oration, with salutatory, "The Calmest are the Strongest."		
	Henry Dillon.	
Essay,		"Night Brings Out the Stars."
	Vera Cummings.	
Music,		Miss Mabel Morse.
Oration, "Necessities of Reform in Public Life."		
	Fanuie Doherty.	
Music,		Harry Wiley.
Oration, with class history,		"Aim of Life."
	Andrew Sears.	
Essay, "No Fortune so Good but Has its Alloy."		
	Grace Doherty.	
Music,		Miss Morse.
Essay,		"Is the World Moving Forward?"
	Aozella Plaintiff.	
Oration, with valedictory, "Revolutions Never Move Backward—Cuba."		
	George Sanford.	
Presentation of diplomas,		M. A. Morse.

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS.

BOSTON, JUNE 16, 1898.

The bill for the regulation of assessment insurance companies, which the Senate admitted for the report that no legislation was necessary, did not fare so well on the next stage. Senator George of Essex, who introduced it and who is always on the side of the policy-holders against the corporations, gave a picturesque description of the war in which one association, presumably the Massachusetts Benefit Association, was used to work the Baptists in order to make it a Baptist institution, to work the Methodists in order to make it a Methodist institution, and the Grand Army in order to make it a Grand Army institution, and how enormous sums of money were fleeced out of the people. But on the other side it was urged that there was no reason for haste, and that Insurance Commissioner Cutting preferred that nothing should be done this year. Finally, by vote of 15 to 11, the bill was referred to the next Legislature. This is the end of action this year, for it is so late in the session that nothing new will be admitted, and there is nothing further upon which legislation can be based.

The Senate ways and means committee has reported ought not to pass on the appropriation of $50,000 for a hospital ship to be used for the Massachusetts soldiers and sailors in the war. It was felt that it would be delicate and unwise for this state to have a ship of its own, looking after its own men in places where there was no discrimination of states and where the general government was supposed to be looking out for all of its men sufficiently and alike. But after a long debate to-day the Senate admitted the bill by vote of 21 to 11.

Ex-Senator James A. Bailey, Jr., of the Third Middlesex district, now paymaster of the Sixth regiment, has written a letter to Gov. Wolcott, the last part of which, as follows, ought to be read carefully by every citizen of the state who has supposed that the war for the freedom of Cuba would be a picnic:

"I had a talk with Gov. Long yesterday in Washington, and from my conversation with him and with others prominent in affairs, I am convinced that the war will be quite a long one and serious. The condition of many regiments which I saw at Camp Alger indicates clearly that most of the summer will be required to get an army of fair size well equipped and well drilled."

But little war talk is heard at the state house now, for the time for active operations has passed, except the provision which is made for the men who enlist and for their families. The disposition of the Legislature is to be most liberal, yet they do draw the line somewhere in the distribution of state aid. An amendment was offered to the bill which would have given aid from the Massachusetts treasury to every Massachusetts man and his family, who enlisted in the war, no matter from what state he enlisted and to what state's quota he was credited. The members thought that that was going too far with state generosity. If a Massachusetts man wants to get the benefit of our state aid, it was said, let him enlist so as to be a credit to the quota of our state. It would be an imposition upon the state to have him serve for another state and when he is hurt or used up to come back on Massachusetts for support. But the Legislature is ready to respond with liberal help for all Massachusetts men, serving for the state, who go to the war. But it is easy to see that this cause does not come as close to the heart as the war of the rebellion.

The contest over the state cattle commission is not over, but progress has been made toward a settlement, the different turns of which will be duly recorded. The committee on agriculture has reported a bill to abolish the present cattle commission and to substitute a single cattle commissioner, with one deputy, to take the place of those now in office. The new officials are to get $5 per day of actual service, with traveling expenses. The bill forbids absolutely the use of tuberculin as a diagnostic agent. It provides that only half compensation shall be given for cattle slaughtered for disease, not to exceed $30 in any case, and it appropriates $25,000 for carrying on the work of the commission. Another bill requires the state board of health to report to the next Legislature upon the value of tuberculin as a diagnostic agent. There are signs of a strong lobby on the matter, and it is evident that the farming interest is on the watch and is much interested. The bill to abolish the commission was reported on the message of the governor, calling attention to the loose way in which things were left by the refusal to make any appropriation.

Some objection was made in the Senate to the passage of the Torrens land transfer bill, Senator Gallivan of the ways and means committee dissenting because some of his legal friends, as he explained in the Senate, did not understand some of the provisions of the bill. The misty portions were satisfactorily explained and the bill was passed to be engrossed. This completes the passage of both houses and there has been no doubt expressed that Gov. Wolcott would sign the bill. Thus, at last, after seven years of agitation, the work seems to be completed. Doubtless amendments will be made after the act goes into practice, but the main thing is to make a beginning, to do something upon which improvements can be based.

The Legislature has made only slow progress this week, but the fault has not been with the House, for that might have been prorogued several days ago, had it not been obliged to wait for the Senate. There has been less push this year, in the last part of the session, than usual. There has been no need of it for the House, while the Senate has seemed rather indifferent, though this week they have sat late in the afternoon for the sake of making up lost time. In one point of view, and that not an unimportant one, it is better to have the session end in this way. There is not that rush and scramble which frequently disgraces the last hours. Great corporation jobs are not put through by stealth. There is more deliberation and the rights of the people are better protected. The loss on account of the lengthening of the session comes out of the members personally, while the added cost to the state is but trifling, whether they adjourn May 15th or June 15th. The criticism of this Legislature rests upon other grounds, in the main, than the length of the session.

The Senate has rightly defeated the bill from the House to require the highway commission, with one exception, to give all their time to their official duties. It was believed to be an effort to drive the present competent commission out of office, for they would not accept the restriction, in order to find a snug berth for two other men who would not be worth so much to the state for their full time as these men for part of their time.

Late developments regarding the affairs of the board of lunacy and charity, with the declination of the chairman, George W. Johnson, to accept a reappointment, lead friends of the proposed but defeated children's bureau to say that the truth of their charges about the board's being overworked is now evident.

The inevitable proposition for an investigation of official wrong-doing came this year late in the session. It was a case of presumable incompetency rather than of corruption, and the officials aimed at were the trustees of the new hospital for consumptives in Rutland. The act for the building of the institution provided that the entire expense of building and furnishing should not exceed $150,000, and that the matter should be under the oversight of the governor and council, besides the trustees. But the $150,000 was used up long before the building and furnishings were finished. One item which was approved by the governor and council was $7733 for compensation for the trustees. It was shown that the construction was done in a flagrantly incompetent manner. An order for a legislative investigation was introduced in the House on Thursday by Mr. Hayes of Lowell, and was laid over to Monday on the request of Mr. Stone of Springfield.

The adjournment from Thursday to Monday (over Bunker Hill Day) was made by the House, because there was nothing for it to do, it being so far ahead of the Senate. The Senate adjourned over to the same day because so many of them had orations to deliver at flag-raisings or other patriotic functions on Friday that they did not wish to sit. Hence the session was so much prolonged. But the members say that it hurts them a great deal more than the public. Therefore the public ought not to complain.

Thursday afternoon was spent by the Senate mostly on the street railway bill, and it was amended in the interest of the corporations, requiring it to be returned to the House for concurrence. LANDON.

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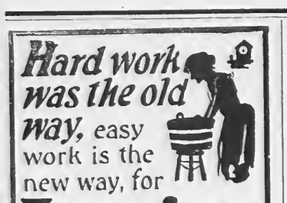

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We will also pay our mite,
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As our habit is to do,
And when your side is finished up,
You'll find ours finished, too."
—*Will Tempter, in American Agriculturist.*

AMONG THE PARAGRAPHERS.

"Adam," said Eve,
As they went out the gate
When ordered to leave,
"Is my bat on straight?"

Jones said he thought his gas-meter had gas-trick fever, hut now believes it to be affected with galloping consumption.—*Utica Observer.*

"What is it to fish?" he repeated. "Oh you just sit and sit all day long." "And then?" "And then you lie."—*Detroit Tribune.*

Critic—"Where did you get the idea for that poster picture?" Painter—"Out of my head." Critic—"You must he glad it's out."—*Tid-Bits.*

Mose Yallerton—"I think youh sistab am very chic." Melinda Mokehy (angrily)—"D' yoh mean to 'sinuate dat she looks like a hen?"—*Puck.*

Generons—In the Nursery.—He—"Give me a bite of your candy, please, Flossie?" She—"No; but you may kiss me while my mouf is sticky."—*Life.*

Mike—"Oi say, if a man is born in France, he's a Frinchman." Pat—"Sure an' if a cat had kittens in an oven, would you call them biscuits?"—*St. Paul's.*

"Of course I will he homelier some day, dear," she whispered. "Impossible," be replied gallantly, and he marvels that she sent his presents back.—*Detroit Free Press.*

"Johnson wants to horrow some money of me. Do you know anything about him?" "I know bim as well as I do you. I wouldn't let him have a cent."—*Indianapotis Journal.*

"They say Dumley's wife rules him with a rod of iron." "Oh, no; that's an exaggeration. Why, she can make him jump by merely crooking her little finger at him."—*Household Words.*

Mother—"Wbat have you done with the money yon saved up last week?" Johnny—"Papa told me to save it for a rainy day. Yesterday was the first one we had, so I spent it."—*Harper's Round Table.*

"Before you set me doing time," said the watch, "I only ask you that you judge me by my works." "We shall see about that," said the repairer, "after I have looked into your case."—*Cincinnati Enquirer.*

Mr. Younghud—"Why so pensive, dear?" Mrs. Younghug—"I was just trying to decide, lovey, which I would like you to rescue first in a shipwreck, me or my dear little Fido."—*Philadelphia North American.*

"Honest?" he exclaimed. "Honest? Well, rather. He not only wouldn't steal from an individual, but be actually refused to steal from the government once when he had the opportunity."—*Chicago Evening Post.*

Rye—"Don't you ever dilute your whisky?" Cornwell—"Don't have to. When I get near enough to smell the whisky it makes my mouth water, and there is no call for any additional dilutant."—*Boston Transcript.*

"I don't know which is worse," muttered young Blunderheels at the reception, retreating to a corner and wiping his perspiring brow, "but I believe I would rather be run over by a train than to step on one."—*Chicago Tribune.*

Tourist (who had been reading Ian Maclaren)—"Excuse ma spcirin', ma guid mon, but gin ye ken whaur Jock Maclachlan hides hereaboot, I'll gie ye twa hawhees tae yersel'." Rustic—"I am very sorry, sir, hut I do not understand French."—*Exchange.*

Mr. Felix Mahoney tells of one botel, in New England, I believe it was, in which he stayed not long ago. In every room was a placard, and on it this: "Guests will please not hathe on Sunday night, as the hot water is needed for the wash Monday morning."—*Washington Post.*

The New Curate (who bas preached from the text "Except ye repent ye shall all likewise perish")—"Very glad you liked the sermon, Mrs. Hodges." Mrs. Hodges—"Aye, zur; an' it were a fine text, too, "Except ye pay rent ye shall all go to the parish."—*Sketch.*

Shc—"Are you sure that you love me just as much as the day you led me to the altar?" He—"Darling, I love you more—a hundred times more than I did then. You know, your father was disposed to huck at that time, hut he's come down handsomely since."—*Cleveland Leader.*

So Natural—"Oh, do look at that dear little lamh!" said Frances, on seeing a young lamb for the first time in ber life. "Isn't it pretty?" asked mamma. "Yes, and it is so natural, too. It squeaks just like a toy lamh, and bas the same sort of wool on its hack."—*Judge.*

"Remember one thing that I am about to tell you," said Senator Sorghum to the ambitious young man. "It is a rule that is well worth remembering." "What is it, sir?" "Never do anything that your conscience may reproach you for. Hire somebody else to do it."—*Washington Star.*

First successful business man—"I had only a common school education, but I found it sufficient. You, I believe, were a college graguate?" Second successful business man—"Yes; graduated with high bonors, too." First S. B. M.—"Now, tell me truly, did you ever find any practical use for what you learned at college?" Second S. B. M.—"Um—yes. One night when burglars got into my house, I scared them off with a college yell."—*New York Weekly.*

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WHY ONE MAN IS BITIER.

St. Valentine's day is a sad reminder to a young man on I street. A year ago during the second week of February he bad an attack of the grip, says the *Washington Post.* He wanted to send a charming young woman some violets, and was compelled to ask a very young sister to huy them for him. He snappishly refused to tell for what purpose he wanted the flowers, for he had grip and his head ached. The young girl returned with a hox neatly wrapped in paper. The young man slipped his card in without untying the package, and bribed his little brother to carry the offering to the object of his attentions. That evening the young sister visited the sickroom.

"Did you like the violets?" she asked.

"Didn't look at them."

"They were beauties," said the girl. "I got them at a special sale. They were marked down from one dollar to 50 cents—great hig bunch, too."

"A big hunch of real violets for 50 cents at this time of the year!" said the sick man.

"Real violets!" echoed the sister. "Real violets! Why, you didn't say anything ahout real violets. I thought they were for mamma's bonnet. I hought artificial violets!"

The young man has never attempted to explain the matter to the young lady who rceeived the flowers, hut if you talk to him ahout the natural intelligence of young girls you will find him mightily bitter and gloomy on the subject.

Wife—"John! John! Get up! There's a man in the house!" Husband—"I positively refuse to allow you to remain in this room alone."—*Chicago News.*

Hojack—"Give me a paraphrase of "All is fair in love and war." Tomdik—"The tactics permissible in courtship are equally allowable after marriage."—*Puck.*

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HEALTH HINTS.

A bilious attack may he soon overcome hy taking the juice of one or two lemons in a goblet of water before retiring and in the morning before rising. When taken on an empty stomach the lemon has an opportunity to work on the system. Continue the use of them for several weeks.

Sponges, says Professor Lang, of Vienna, owing to the impossibility of destroying germs in them, have long since heen hanished from the surgeon's table, and should also be excluded from the hath-room and washstand.

Avoid towels nsed indiscriminately. The microscope reveals the fact that they almost invariably contain the germs of disease.

Lanoline is the nearest approach to the natural oil of the skin, and for this reason is called a skin food. The tissues are fed hy it. It is applied to hollows, lines, and depleted portions when one wishes to fatten face or neck.

Hair dye is considered so detrimental to long life that a Paris insurance company refuses to insure the lives of women who use it.

Children should have soveral hours of play every day in the open air, if possible. Vigorous and spontaneous action of this sort is better than gymnastics; and if girls were allowed by social custom to play as hoys do, they would cease to he so subject to spinal deformities.

The white of an egg, witb a little water and sugar, is good for children with irritable stomachs.

Wben ironing, a woman should sit instead of stand, and work in a cool room.

A good remedy for chapped lips is made by mixing together two spoonfuls of clarified honey with a few drops of lavender water. Anoint the lips with the mixture frequently.

A lump of sugar saturated in vinegar is said to cure hiccough.

It is very vexing and annoying to bave ono's lips break out with cold sores, but it is better to bave them out than in. A drop of warm mutton suet applied to the sores at night, just before retiring, will soon cause them to disappear.

Borax used in the water in which one bathes will check perspiration.

Lemon juice is excellent for removing stains from the nails.

A bit of lemon peel chewed just before a noxious dose of medicine is taken will dispel the taste of the dose.

If yon would avoid wrinkles, caro not only for your skin, hut your nerves. Control your temper and do not try to have a too expressive and vivacious countenance. Sleep nine hours a night and an hour a day. Decline to worry. Wear smoked glasses, instead of scowling fiercely at the sunlight and the water. Refuse to try to distiugnish tbings afar off. Wasb your face in warm water with pure soap once a day, and rub it softly with flannel after washing. Feed it with pure cold cream. Don't be afraid of occasional sunburn; it smoothes the face wonderfully.

An apple poultice is said to be so good a tbing for sore eyes that it is used regularly in French hospitals, bnt any poultice is dangerous for a non-professional to apply to the eye.

If the throat is very sore, wring a cloth out of cold salt water and hind it on the throat when going to bed; cover it with a dry towel. This is excellent.

The following is a splendid liniment for chilblains: One ounce of camphor gum, four fluid ounces of olive oil. Dissolve together by a gentle heat, and apply to the afflicted parts.

Soak the feet and hind on baking soda dampened, and in the morning you will be surprised to find the soreness all out of the corns.

To make the eyebrows grow better, rub common salt into them every night before going to bed.

Women do not realize how much harm is done to the eyes in wearing veils, especially the coarse net or heavily dotted ones which are so popnlar now. A specialist bas said that every dot in a veil is a fee in the pocket of the ocnlist.

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That's printed in Washington town,
He's hollerin' out "Mr. Speaker!"
An' the Speaker he hollers "Set down!"

Now, some folks that's sent by the people,
Way up tor the national hall,
Jest sets thar frum mornin' till evenin'
An' never says nuthin' at all,
But our man is up ter his business—
He don't make no specches profoun';
Jest jumps up an' yells "Mr. Speaker!"
Till the Speaker—he hollers "Set down!"

That's better, I take it, than talkin'
The time an' his senses away;
Than makin' the galleries listen
Ter folks that have nuthin' to say,
That's better than bills an' amendments,
Than rearin' an' pitchin' aroun';
He jest calls the name o' the Speaker,
Then takes his advice an'—sets down!

If 'twarn't for the fact that we sent him—
Because it's a good place ter stay,
An' told him to say we are livin',
In silence he'd pocket his pay.
His business is jest ter remind 'em
We live in a wide-awake town;
He knows when ter yell: "Mr. Speaker!"
An' jost when it's time ter set down!
—*Atlanta Constitution.*

A SIGNIFICANT CALL.

In his younger days Senator Vest was fond of telling stories in regard to subterfuges resorted to by certain Republicans, mostly of the "Papaw Militia" variety, to prevent Democrats voting immediately following the close of the war. This is one of the stories he has frequeutly told:

"An old Howard county farmer, who was entirely too old to have enlisted in the war oveu if he had been so disposed, and who never harmed a soul in his life, was suspected by a 'truly loyal' neighbor, who had never seen auy service himself, of being a Democrat. The neighbor at once protested against the old man exercising the right of citizenship on the ground that he had been disloyal during the war. The old farmer appealed to the registratiou officers, and in due course of time he was called before the board for examination, and his neighbor promptly appeared against him.

"'Did you ever hear this old man make any remarks of disloyalty toward the government?' asked the registration officer of the meddlesome neighbor.

"'Cau't say that I have,' replied the neighbor.

"'You lived near him during the war, did you not?'

"'Yes.'

"'Do you know of his rendering aid to the rebels?'

"'Can't say that I do.'

"'Then, if you never heard him say anything against the government, lived near him during the war and have no knowledge that he ever furnished auy aid to the rebels, what makes you think he is a disloyal citizen?'

"The meddlesome neighbor reflected a moment and then replied:

"'Well, I always noticed that during the war the old man called his hogs in a much louder voice every morning after news had been received of a rebel victory than at any other time.'"—*St. Louis Republic.*

CAUGHT AT THE FINISH.

A little old man with weather beaten whiskers, an overcoat that must have been an heirloom, the balance of his outfit being in harmony, and a glaced valise with spots of the glace missing, stopped at the news stand in the station.

"Took a little run down to see the city," he confided. "Big town. Seen a'most everything in it. What I wanter git is somethin' to read goin' home. A quarter? Gi' me one fur 'hout a nickel. I kin git to sleep afore it's half read."

Getting a wild western tale, he started for the gate.

"Hold on there, uncle!" sbouted a traveling man who tapped the old gentleman on the shoulder to attract his attention. "You have my valise."

"Keep away from me," shouted the farmer. "You can't hunko steer me. Don't come a-nigh me."

"But you have my"—

"Look out, mister. I don't want no gold bricks or green goods."

"But you'll allow me to"—

"I won't 'low nuthin'. I can't cash no checks. I can't open no locks. I can't find the pea under a shell. I"—

"Give me that valise!" said the man in a stern voice, for there was a grinning crowd now on the scene.

"Police!" whooped the old man, and as an officer appeared: "This here cuss is tryin' to steal my carpet sack. I jist lost a four-foot umbrelly I've had for 20 years, and now they're after this grip."

The news stand man explained. The policeman quietly changed the valises, and as the rural visitor rushed for bis train he was heard to exclaim:

"Bunkoed, hegosh!"—*Detroit Free Press.*

CONVERTED BY A HANDSHAKE.

Here is a good story of the Right Rev. Thomas Underwood Dudley.

The bishop had gone to Beattyville, and the place was rough and desolate. A rough looking man came up to him.

"They tell me you fought with the rebels."

"Yes."

"Give me your hand, pard. My name's Bill Dolan, an I'm a blacksmith down here."

"Bill," said the bishop, "I'm proud to meet you."

That night Bill Dolan went to the service and heard the bishop preach, and he went afterward too.

Twelvo years later the bishop went to Beattyville once more. It was sunset. He was met hy the town's clergyman. "Bishop, Bill Dolan died yesterday, and before he died I baptized him," said the minister. "In his last words he told me to tell the bishop that he loved him."

"That," said the bishop, "was indeed a compensation!"—*Louisville Courier Journal.*

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RELICS OF DAVY CROCKETT.

Standing in the heart of San Antonio, Tex., is the old church of the Alamo. In it perished Crockett, Bowie and Travis, with 169 other heroes, who fell on the altar of Texan liberty. The old building is hallowed ground, and is the Mecca for many a pilgrim, but of all the thousands who have crossed its threshhold none hold it in greater reverence than does one who visited its sacred precincts but a few days ago. This person was Col. Robert H. Crockett, a grandson of the celebrated pioneer and patriot, "Davy" Crockett. Col. "Bob," as he is familiarly called in Little Rock, Ark., where he makes his home, is a typical southern gentleman. He is of medium height, with white hair and beard, and stands as straight as an arrow, yet one would scarcely believe that he is now 70 years old. He is the oldest son of John Crockett, the oldest son of David Crockett.

The Alamo building was one of the five mission churches which the Spanish priests erected near the source of the San Antonio river. The Texans fortified it when the Mexican army attacked them, and in it they made a gallant battle, but one in which overwhelming numbers won the victory. On March 6th, 1836, Santa Ana's army broke down their barricade and massacred the garrison, leaving but one to tell the tale. Many stories of bravery are related regarding this dreadful battle in which the defenders of the church sold their lives dearly and slew or wounded eight to one of their assailants before the last of their own number was overcome, and Crockett's daring deeds have ever endeared him to the people he fought and died for. The little stone cabin in which he lived, near the source of the San Antonio river, is still standing, covered with vine and moss. Col. "Bob" Crockett has many interesting relics of his illustrious grandfather, and these he brought with him when he came to make this (his first) visit to the scene of the battle of the Alamo.

One of these is an old watch. Compared with modern timepieces it is a mammoth affair. It has a double case, the one fitting within the other and opening like a locket. The case is a plain gold one, and within it is engraved the names of its consecutive owners—David Crockett, John Crockett and Robert Crockett—and also the name of Robert Crockett's eldest son, who at his father's death will inherit the heirloom. He also has "Davy" Crockett's rifle, which was presented to him by a hundred young men of Philadelphia. On the barrel is an inscription inlaid in gold hullion. It is of an arrow before the two words, "Go ahead," and is placed near the sight, being symbolic of Crockett's famous saying, "Be sure you are right and then go ahead." The gun is about five feet in length and is silver mounted. At the trigger guard is a goddess of liberty. It is an old-time flint-lock, and shows evidence that it had been in use for many years.

Robert Crockett served as a rebel soldier during the war of the rebellion, and at that time was the owner of this gun, hut when the confederate officers, who were gathering up arms with which to supply the rebel soldiers, came to him and asked him to contribute it to the cause, he said: "No; this gun was never aimed at an American soldier."

In the rooms of the Alamo are many souvenirs of its dreadful battle and mindful of Crockett as one of its heroes, but none are of greater interest than those which have just been placed there hy the old frontiersman's grandson—*Chicago Tribune.*

PAY OF OFFICERS AND MEN IN NAVY.

When one takes into consideration the intelligence, the technical training and the other demands made upon them by their profession, the officers and men who handle our warships are poorly paid as compared with those who follow similarly exacting duties on shore. An officer's pay varies not only according to his rank, but according to the nature of his duty. His highest pay is while at sea, his lowest while on leave or "waiting orders." The following table gives the officers pay per annum:—

Rank.	Pay.
Rear-admirals	$4000 to $6000
Commodores	3000 to 5000
Captains	2800 to 4500
Commandors	2300 to 3500
Lieutenant-commanders	2000 to 3000
Lieutenants	1600 to 2400
Lieutenants, junior grade	1200 to 2000
Ensigns	800 to 1400
Naval cadets	500 to 950

Contrary to the general popular notion, naval officers clothe and feed themselves. They also house themselves, except when on board ship or when stationed at a navy yard, where quarters are provided. True, they are allowed, while at sea, the munificent sum of 30 cents per diem for their rations. Furthermore, officers of the American navy have to pay out of their own pockets for the entertainment, not only of their own personal friends, hut of officials, the guest of the nation.

The pay of the enlisted men varies from $9 per month, received hy a third-class apprentice, to $70 per month, which is the compensation of a chief machinist. An "ordinary seaman" receives $19, a "seaman" $24, and a "landsman," who is an unskilled recruit, $16 per month Men in the artificer class, such as blacksmiths, electricians, boiler-makers, etc, get from $35 to $50 per month. All enlisted men, like officers, receive their 30 cents per dieu for rations. Furthermore, there is an increase in pay for each re-enlistment.

One important step conducing to efficiency, taken hy the navy department during the past year, was the elevating of the status of gun-captains, who are now specially rated as such, with pay ranging from $30 to $50 per month. Formerly the gun-captain was chosen simply hy reason of bis rank on ship-board; that is, no man could he a gun-captain, however good bis marksmanship, unless he held some petty office, such as a boatswain's mate, coxswain, or something of the sort. Now, the gun-captain is the best shooter and manipulator of the weapon in the latter's crew, regardless of his standing otherwise on board, and he receives extra pay for his qualities.—*Leslie's Weekly.*

LESSONS OF THE FLOWERS.

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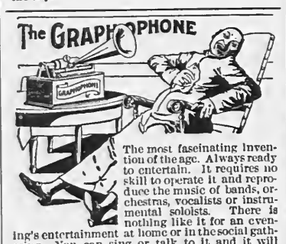

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And coming to a fagot-maker, begged a crust of bread.
The fagot-maker gave a crust and something rather queer
To wash it down withal, from out a bottle that stood near.
The angel finished eating, but before he left said he:—
"Thou shalt have two wishes granted for that thou hast given me;
One for that good drinkable, another for the bread."
Then he left the fagot-maker all amazed at what he said.
"I wonder," says the fagot-maker after he had gone,
"I wonder if there's any truth in that same little song?"
So turning this thing over in his mind, he cast around,
'Till he saw the empty bottle where it lay upon the ground.
"I wish," he said, just as a test, "if what he said is so,
Into that empty bottle now that I may straight-go."
No sooner said than done; whisk! into the flask he fell,
Where he found himself as tightly packed as a chicken in the shell.
In vain he kicked and twisted, and in vain he howled with pain;
For in spite of all his efforts, he could not get out again.
So, seeing how the matter stood, he had to wish once more,
When out he slipped, as easily as he'd gone in before.
If we had had two wishes granted by an angel thus,
We would not throw away the good so kindly given us.
For first we'd ask for wisdom, which, when we had in store,
I'm very doubtful if we'd care to ask for any more.

—*Howard Pyle.*

THE WORLD'S MANIKIN.

"Be ye God's men; not the world's manikins!" thundered the young preacher over the heads of his hearers. Literally over their heads, for the old-fashioned country pulpit was perched high above the pews; figuratively over their heads, for few indeed in the little congregation comprehended a tithe of his earnest purpose.

Uncomfortably erect, at the head of his family pew, sat Senator Carter. Visiting the old homestead of his fathers, way up in New Hampshire hills, the pealing of the church bell had aided in arousing a flood of boyish memories, and had drawn him into the morning service. Once within the doors, and seated in the old Carter pew, his thoughts speedily wandered far away from the present, back to the checkerberry days of his happy, barefoot youth. Girlish faces long forgotten came between his eyes and the hymn-book pages, and instead of the sturdy, athletic young pastor, he saw in the pulpit the stooping, white-crowned figure of dear old Father Price.

Lost in his reveries, he did not note the text, the theme, the really eloquent introduction. And when, at length, he did wake from his day-dream, it was to find the deep, earnest eyes of the young pastor fastened upon his, and to hear a clear, almost defiant ring in the words of the exhortation: "Be ye God's men; not the world's manikins!" Perhaps the Rev. James Dale was inspired from heaven on that occasion; perhaps it was only the culminating point of a hard-thinking, hard-reading period of his education. At any rate, he preached a sermon such as the walls of the little meeting-house had never echoed before.

He was not sensational, nor theatric. He was simple, direct and straightforward. But he told the truth. How rare an occurrence that is, even in the pulpit, Senator Carter knew better than most of his fellow-hearers, and with every word of the sermon his admiration for the young preacher increased. "I only hope it does not cost him his place," thought he, as he strolled back to his lonely dinner.

Next morning as he was whirled away to Washington again in his private car, the words of the minister returned to his mind, and he thought of himself and his life. "Be ye God's men, not the world's manikin!" The world did not reckon him as one of its manikins, he knew. The popular judgment, based upon newspaper paragraphers and "special correspondence" called him a "boss," and complained, yet with a sort of admiring awe, that a state's sovereign part in the national government was held in the palm of his hand.

But he himself knew the bitter truth, and told it over and over again in his heart as the congressional limited swept from the pale graying of the afternoon into the jewel-like blackness of the Southern night. He knew that he had a master, that his voice, his vote, his future, his very soul were at the tacit disposal of a quiet, silent man, a master of many men, himself mastered by his very millions. Senator Carter was the political creature of a trust, a child of national corruption.

At times the bitter truth had come home to him with all its sickening force, and he had cringed in soul at his degeneration, moved to abject self-contempt. With advancing years these spasms of protesting manhood grew less frequent, and a long period of quiescent self-contempt, fostered by parasitic adulation, had preceded the challenging admonition of the young preacher.

But now, as he was on the point of returning to his seat in his country's highest legislative body, the chart of his life seemed unrolled before his eyes, and he himself compelled to gaze upon it. He saw his hard-working, ambitious youth; the high ideals and lofty purposes with which he had entered upon his manhood's career; the gradual process of disillusion which had shown him only too clearly the thinly hidden corruption which had permeated the profession he was practising, and the political life to which he looked forward; the insidious destruction of his best beliefs and noblest principles; his final surrender to a modern devil, who took him into a high place and showed him what he might possess; his present position of humiliating and stultifying bondage.

Senator Carter shifted uneasily in his great arm-chair, lighted a fresh cigar, turned again the pages of a pile of magazines and papers. It was in vain; he could not shake off the annoyingly persistent thoughts whose sharp truths pierced the cuticle of his self-esteem like the stings of moral mosquitoes. Finally he gave it up with an inward groan, and resigned himself for the remainder of the journey to a cross-examination of Senator Carter, politician and man of affairs, conducted by John Carter, son of his mother and once an honest lawyer.

It was midnight when the long train's thunder disturbed the echoes of Capitol hill and the senator's private carriage rattled away down the well-nigh deserted avenue.

Next morning, at his usual hour, the senator entered his private office to find a foot-high pile of opened letters on his desk and his secretary busily engaged in wading through an even larger heap. The senator ran hastily through his pile, adding many of them to his secretary's lot and buttoning away a few in his inside pocket.

"Are there many callers this morning, Mr. Walker?" he asked.

"The reception room is full, sir," was the reply, "and I have taken care of at least as many more. I told them all you would be very busy this morning, but some of them I couldn't get rid of. Calkins, for instance."

"Calkins?" repeated the senator impatiently. "Is that boorish knave clinging to my coat-tails still? I must finish with him and it may as well be first as last. Show him in."

The plump and oily Calkins, red-bearded and protuberant as to stomach, was very quick to reply to the secretary's sign: "Ah! My dear senator! So glad to see you looking so well! Very pleasant trip you must have had. And I hope you found time to think of that little matter of mine?"

The senator turned from the papers he was examining with an impatient little gesture and looked his interrogator straight in the eye. "Calkins," said he, "that scheme of yours is an outrageous swindle and you know it I will have nothing whatever to do with it. But if it ever comes before the senate, I'll show it up. Remember that."

Calkins turned a deep, dark red, bald spot and all, in his angry amazement. He looked from the senator to the secretary and back again, speechless for a moment. Then the torrent of his wrath burst forth.

"If I did not know you, John Carter," said he, "I'd call you drunk. As it is, you must be crazy. You stand here and insult me like a loafer when you know that I and my friends made you what you are and can unmake you. Yes, can unmake you. This scheme, as you call it, will come up in the senate and if you 'show it up,' there will be another showing up within twenty-four hours that will turn the papers black with headlines. You know me Carter, and you know my friend Brock. I'm going to see him now. Perhaps, when you've had a visit from him, you'll decide to withdraw a few of the things you've said."

The remainder of that day was not pleasantly passed by either Senator Carter or his secretary. The former, in his dealings with the men he met, carried out the principle he had first applied in the case of Calkins; and as a result could reckon up at nightfall at least a score of deadly enmities incurred. He had opened his mouth but once in the senate, but that had been in opposition to a measure which he had previously favored and which he knew to be imperiously demanded by the trust whose representative he was in a much truer sense than of the state whose commission he bore. The mere fact of his speaking in opposition to the bill, as soon as it became known, crowded the galleries and the floor, and, being delivered in time for the afternoon papers, kept the press wires hot for half an hour.

When he met his secretary after dinner that evening, for their usual round-up of the day's work, there were lines of fatigue about his mouth and eyes and a perceptible stoop in his carriage that the younger man had never noticed before.

"There is nothing which must be attended to this evening, sir," he suggested respectfully, "if you wish to rest. This has been rather a hard day, has it not?"

"A hard day, indeed, Walker?" said the senator thoughtfully, passing his hands over his brow. "I did not think it was so difficult to be a man."

"Yes, sir," assented the secretary, so utterly in the dark as to his superior's meaning that he allowed a tinge of his doubt to creep into his tone.

Thereat the senator looked up quickly, with a return of his old, sarcastic smile, and said: "However, there seems to be plenty of work that must be done sometime. We may as well make a beginning to-night."

They were deep in the piles of papers before them, when a colored servant announced: "Mr. Brock, sir," and without waiting for direction, held the door open for the entrance of the visitor.

"That will do for this evening, Mr. Walker," said the senator, and in a moment he was alone with his caller.

The latter had drawn a deep arm-chair up to the open fireplace, and lighted a cigar, through whose blue curls of smoke he gazed unwinking at the dancing flames. It was he who presently broke the silence.

"So you've taken the bit in your teeth, John," he said quietly.

Senator Carter stood at one end of the mantel, resting an arm upon it, and looking down thoughtfully at the little gray figure before the fire.

"I am trying to be a man," he replied slowly.

"More likely to be an angel," said the man in the chair, with a grim smile at the andirons. "You know as well as I that the good die young in politics."

Before replying, the senator drew another chair up to the fire, and seated himself where he could look directly into his companion's eyes.

"Brock," he began suddenly, "I believe you are my friend after all. I am going to talk to you on that basis."

The other made no reply beyond a nod, and the senator went on rapidly to unburden his mind of all the doubts, troubles, and desires that he had gathered there in the last few days. He told of the hillside sermon's awakening sting, of the mental review of his life in a way forced upon him, of his resolve to be at last in reality God's man, and of the trials and temptations of the day.

There was sympathy in the hearer's face as the story progressed, and when it was finished he sat upright in his chair to give his hand to the other.

"It's a hard fight, John," said he, presently, "and the hardest thing about it is, that you can't win. I've tried, tried for all I am worth, and I know it."

"You?" ejaculated the senator in sharp surprise.

"Yes, often," was the quiet reply. "There was a time, when my wife died, that I thought I had won. Then came the panic. I went back into the street to fight for my children, and I've never got out of it since. Carter, which do you suppose is the harder master, one man's millions, or another's ambition?"

The senator smiled, half sadly, but made no reply.

"I know what, with our belief in God, you and I ought to do," the other went on. "But we can't do it. I have got to fight till I drop to keep my fortune together, and I have brought up my boys to put on the armor when I no longer can wear it. You are needed right where you are to offset the influx of crazy fools who would send the country to the dogs in a decade. But you cannot keep your place and act as you have done to-day. I know it and you know it. You might as well try to swim up Niagara falls. One more day like this one, and your chances for the presidency would be forever destroyed."

"The presidency?" questioned Carter in astonishment.

"Yes," replied Brock, with a little, mirthless laugh, the presidency. We decided in New York yesterday to start a boom for you in the most vigorous style possible at once. As regards your budding prospects, your action of to-day has been, to say the least, a frost."

"The presidency." Carter repeated the words, already passing, as had many greater men before him, under the charm of their magic spell.

The little gray man in the depths of the arm-chair regarded him grimly, with not a trace of the sentiment he had manifested a few moments before. At length he began to talk with quick, nervous incision, and Carter listened like a pupil at the foot of his master.

When the strange conference broke up, a half hour later, Brock said: "By the way, this man Calkins is a power down South. Better push along that a bill of his a bit."

And Senator Carter, politician, stung by the presidential bee, said humbly: "Yes, sir." The resurrection of John Carter, son of his mother, had been of brief duration.—*H. C. Pearson, in the Penny Magazine.*

SOCIAL LIFE IN MANILA.

"The Luneta is the fashionable promenade in Manila, and one may there see the best social side of the Philippines. The Luneta is a sort of Fifth avenue along the banks of the Passig river. The composite character of the population in Manila makes the throngs of people along the Luneta very picturesque. A long bridge extends along the Passig and the promenade is across that. The shops and stores of the city are close at hand, and at night they are gorgeously illuminated. The street electric lights shed their effulgence on the moving mass of humanity, and the music by the band enlivens the scene. I never saw such picturesque throngs in America. Everyone smokes a cigar or cigarette. There are beggars by the hundred, Hindoos and Japanese in their native garments. The Bocals, or native Indians, come trooping along in bare feet and semi-nudity. There are the latest Parisian styles and the raggedest, poorest people imaginable. Here comes a family group with the parents at the head, arrayed in garments of reds, blues and purples. The father strides along with a huge cigar in his mouth, and his wife with a cigarette. Next follow a group of smiling padres from the numerous Catholic churches or the great cathedral, and all, too, are puffing at the mammoth cigars. Then there are Japanese by hundreds, Chinese by scores, and native Malays and Negritos by thousands. They all wear light, flowing garments of gay-colored fabrics, and all smoke. Here comes a company of native girls with raven hair and the blackest of black eyes, set off by fresh olive complexions and the ruddiest of lips. They wear black lace mantillas on their heads and some pretty flowers deck their hair. Their dress is of loose thin red and white fabrics. As they go sauntering along behind a parent or chaperon they roll cigarettes and smoke like old professionals. Spanish soldiers and naval officers in gaudy uniforms are always in the throngs that promenade the Luneta at night. Here there are Europeans in linen suits and bamboo helmet hats. Occasionally one may see an American among the promenaders, but there are fewer than 150 Americans on Luzon island. The parade continues back and forth until after midnight. Fashion and poverty go side by side. It is the only chance that lovers have to see one another, and it is always amusing to Americans to see how these young folks in the Orient make their passionate longings known to one another."—*New York Sun.*

SHOOTING ON THE SEA.

Necessarily the deck of a vessel at sea offers a much less satisfactory platform from which to shoot than the solid foundation provided in a land fort, since even when the ocean is calmest, the vessel must constantly roll from side to side. Theoretically, the best time to fire would be at the moment between the rolls, when the deck of the ship is perfectly level, and in a general way it may be said that an attempt is made to do the shooting at that instant. It is practically impossible, however, to fire invariably when the decks are horizontal. No matter how careful the gunner, the piece is almost always exploded just before or after the proper instant.

The American practice, both in the army and navy, has always been to shoot low and always to save ammunition until it was possible to use it effectively. In the navy the tradition to shoot low has crystalized into a standing rule, unwritten indeed, but none the less religiously observed, and its wisdom has been proved on more than one occasion of great importance.

The precise form of this unwritten naval rule is to "wait for the downward roll." This is the converse of the maxim maintaining in the British navy that it is best to take advantage of the "upward roll," which has been observed almost from the beginning of naval fighting by the gunners on English ships.

This was rendered the more certain from the fact that the spherical projectiles then in use would ricochet along the surface of the waves if they struck the water, exactly as a stone will skip along the top of a pond when properly thrown from the hand of a small boy.—*New York Press.*

BICYCLE SHOE CLERK LOSES A CUSTOMER.

A Denver shoe store recently employed a young man for clerk who had been in the bicycle business so long that he was an enthusiast. A young lady called at the store for a pair of shoes.

"I want a pair of shoes," she remarked demurely.

"What gear?" he inquired, bowing.

"Sir?"

"I meant what size."

"About two and a half."

"What model—er, what last?"

"A C last, I think."

"Do you like the high sad—the high heels?"

"Just medium."

He got the shoe she seemed to want and after fitting it carefully remarked absent mindedly:

"You can wear loose bloomers with that frame and it will never puncture. Keep it well greased aud—"

The lady called for another clerk—*Denver Times.*

WHEN YOU MEET IN JAPAN.

Nothing is more amusing than to watch two acquaintances saluting in the streets of a Japanese town. As they come in sight of each other they slacken their pace and approach with downcast eyes and averted faces, as if neither was worthy of beholding the other. Then they bow low, so as to bring the face on a level with the knees, on which the palms of the hands are pressed.

A succession of hissing sounds is next made by drawing in the breath between the closed teeth, interspersed with a series of complimentary phrases uttered with great volubility in a sort of undertoned falsetto, each trying to outdo his friend in rapidity and extravagance of language, while the palms are diligently rubbed against each other.

At last the climax is reached, and each endeavors to give the precedence to the other. For some moments, perhaps for a full minute, the polite contest continues. Then the ceremony abruptly ends, as if the difficulty were capable of none but a brusque solution, and the two pass on hurriedly, with a look of extreme relief.

She—"He kissed me, and I told him to tell no one." "And what did he do?" She—"Why it wasn't two minutes before he repeated it."—*Yonkers Statesman.*

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 24, 1898.

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS.

BOSTON, JUNE 23, 1898.

The little scandal over the Rutland hospital for consumptives promises to come to an end with the exposure which has been given in the House and Senate by the members who have told of the negligence of the trustees and incompetence of the architect. It is agreed that there has been no corruption, but that lack of attention by the trustees and that want of experience on the part of the architect has resulted in a pretty poor job. Yet one of the solid members of the finance committee assured the House that he had seen just as poor work in plenty of other state work, and he said particularly that one of the normal schools was just as bad in respect to its heating apparatus. In this case, the trustees tried to build too big a building with the $150,000 at their disposal. It is a case where the state will have to pay the bills. Gov. Wolcott and the council have already appropriated over $7000 for compensation or the services of the trustees. This is one of the cases where the state pays high for experience, but there seems to be no way out of it now. The amount needed is over $20,000, but that is small compared with the Danvers hospital excess.

A Boston political concern of interest to all other cities in the state is the bill to compel each political party to nominate 12 candidates for the board of aldermen, while no voter can vote for more than seven. This aims to restore the original purpose of the act,—to insure minority representation and to give the city the benefit of a choice among the 12 candidates. Recent partisan and ring politics in Boston has resulted in the nomination of only seven, right against the intention of the original act. This act is decidedly in the interest of clean politics.

The session of 1898 closes with some good reputations sustained and others made in the Senate and House, though the two branches, on the whole, have not been up to the level of 1897. The Senate has been much of a corporation body, for it has been decidedly more on the lookout for the side of capital than it has for the benefit of the people. The House put itself under suspicion of being too much of the same sort of a body, especially in the early part of the session. In the case of the Whitney gas bill, the House was altogether too much under the influence of the money magnates. But later in the session the House returned more truly to its character as a body in the interest of the people as a whole. This came to the surface especially on the street railway bill. The bills prepared by the special commission had been changed by the street railway committee so as to favor the corporations much more than in their original form. The bill was amended in the House so as to be more favorable to the people, but this was only after the committee had carried the House on the first stage. But, after that, on the engrossing stage and on the question of concurring with the Senate amendments, the House stood manfully by the side of the people. It was a very good bill, according to the purposes of the House, and the representatives should be given full credit for their intentions after they fully understood the issue at stake.

The House has been radical on the matter of the cattle commission. It was for the abolition of the board by a large majority, while the small appropriation which was reported on the governor's message was reduced still further to $10,000. The farmers are set against tuberculin and want an end put to its use as a diagnostic.

The House bill to abolish the cattle commission was killed in the Senate, leaving the commission and the tuberculin law as hitherto, but with no money.

Gov. Wolcott signed the Torrens bill early this forenoon, after the attorney general had examined it. Matters were in much confusion, and mock sessions were in order several times during the day. But progress was made toward prorogation. A conference was held with Gov. Wolcott to get him to veto the street railway bill, but it made little impression. The large matters had all been disposed of and prorogation came in better order than it usually does.

A little story is to be told regarding the abolition of the cattle commission, and it illustrates the danger of an overhearing disposition in office. It happened some time ago, in Essex county, that a poor farmer had his cow slaughtered by the authorities after she had been condemned for tuberculosis. Concerning the details of the transaction I am not informed, but they were full of such injustice to the farmer, compelling him to suffer a loss which was not warranted and which he was not able to bear, that his friends took up the matter, determined to punish the commission, if they could not reimburse the farmer. Their story is that the case was laid before the commission with the only result that the man was flouted and dismissed without remedy. Then the commission were flushed with their power. To-day the commission is in disgrace, with a record which will stand forever in the history of Massachusetts. It looks very much as if the state had paid high for that cow. Of course the commissioners would not do it again, but they did it once too often and now they have no opportunity for repentance.

The power of the corporations has been proved once more by the vote of the Senate, by 22 to 6 in referring to the next Legislature the bill for the abolition of the grade crossings in East Boston. The Boston and Albany and Boston and Maine railroads were much opposed to the bill, because it made possible the course which they did not wish to take. Speaker Bates spoke for the bill, representing his district, a thing which he has not done before during his two years' occupancy of the chair. The House was strongly for the bill and East Boston had a good case, but the railroads were too much for it. The railroad influence was exerted, and things were said about the bill which were not true in order to kill it.

The close of the session finds the future already settled for most of the members. The senators who have served two years or more are pretty certain to drop out of politics, except as one or another may turn up later in the council when he wishes to escape going to seed, or possibly in Congress, if he can persuade his constituents to promote him. It is expected that President Smith will have another term, unless he wishes to take Barrett's seat in Congress, which he can have, if he wishes, according to some prophets in his district. Speaker Bates is expected to return for his third term in the chair, but most of the leading members of the House are likely to drop out. New men will come in to the number of probably over half the membership, and the ropes must be learned anew.

The session on Wednesday was continued until nearly eight o'clock in order to reach an agreement on the street railway bill, without which prorogation could not be reached on Thursday. It was a long contest, but the House carried the most essential features in behalf of the public, in spite of the lobby which was hanging around in force. There was not a quorum in either branch when the report was acted upon, but no point of order was made and the report was accepted in each branch without a division. On the whole the bill is a forward step in the interests of the people and in the direction of bringing the corporations more under the control of the people. Possibly it will be found that the sharp wits of the railways have over-reached the public, but the intention of the House to protect the people seems to have succeeded. This was the last great bill of the session to receive action. A few other matters of difference remained for concurrent action.

LANDON.

PALMER NEWS.

PALMER LEGISLATORS STAND WELL.

Good Words for the Work of Representative Kenefick and Senator Leach.

Palmer has been ably represented in the Senate and House during this year's session of the Legislature by Senator W. W. Leach and Representative T. W. Kenefick. In reviewing the work of the members of the Legislature the special reporter of the Springfield *Republican* says of the former:

"Senator Leach of Eastern Hampden is booked for another term, as the situation is seen here. His particular service was as chairman of the labor committee which conducted the investigation into the condition of the cotton industry. Considering the magnitude of the question, the unanimous conclusion of the committee, for which the senator deserves credit, the positive expression of opinions upon the facts and the unanimous acceptance of the report by both branches of the Legislature, it was a large and successful piece of work."

Of Representative Kenefick he says that he is one of the strong men of the House, a Democrat, but so much of a Massachusetts man that his Democracy is always subsidiary to it.

"Ready, forceful and convincing in debate, he has also gained strength in his third term and it is to be hoped that further service for the public will be demanded of him. Should the national Democracy ever return to power, he would be a most creditable man for the nation to send to some foreign mission whose dignity and urbanity and stiff insistance upon our rights need to be combined in one man."

The Boston *Herald* also had the following a few days ago:

Two neighbors of Col. Clarke in the 4th division, Mr. Stone of Springfield and Mr. Kenefick of Palmer, who are among the leaders of the House, are not expected to return. Mr. Stone has made an excellent legislator. In a service of three years so attentive has he been to his duties that he hasn't missed a single roll-call. Mr. Kenefick, like Mr. Stone, is a Democrat, but one might sit through an entire session without being able to state the politics of either. They always judge matters on their merits. Mr. Kenefick comes from a Republican district, and the probability is that when he fails out he will be succeeded by a Republican. He is a Harvard man of the class of '77.

Palmers Lose Their First Game.

Errors at critical moments, general loose playing and inability to hit the ball lost the victory for the Palmer-Bondsville consolidated team in their opening game with Three Rivers on the park Saturday afternoon. Three Rivers did but little better in the field, though they hit Dillon quite hard and took advantage of Palmer's costly errors. White, the Palmer catcher, was particularly a bad offender, and his playing in the fourth inning was painful. Donovan of the Palmer's made a corking catch of a line hit in the first inning and participated in a number of other pretty plays. Dillon did the best batting for Palmer. Come, J. Connor and Rycroft hit well for Three Rivers. As this was the first game of the Palmers it could not be expected that they would strike their gait, but they gave evidence of the fact that they are a good aggregation of ball tossers, and after playing together awhile will be a hard nut for any of the teams in this vicinity to crack. The score:

T. Rivers.	r	h	po	a	e	Palmer.	r	h	po	a	e
J. Connor, l,	0	2	3	0	0	C. Connors, 3,	0	0	3	1	1
Story, 1,	4	1	7	0	2	Nelson, s,	1	0	1	0	2
Sullivan, e,	2	1	11	0	2	Donovan, 2,	0	1	5	1	1
Lane, 2,	3	1	0	3	2	Collins, 1,	1	0	8	0	0
Burdette, p,	4	1	1	1	0	Key, r,	0	1	1	0	1
Rycroft, 3,	2	2	3	1	1	White, c,	1	0	7	2	4
Gorman, s,	0	0	1	2	1	Shaw, m,	2	0	1	0	4
J. nConnor, m	0	1	2	0	1	Dillon, p,	3	2	0	5	0
Come, r,	1	2	1	0	0	Dewey, r,	0	1	1	0	0
Total,	16	12	27	7	9	Total,	8	5	27	9	10

Three Rivers, 0 0 0 5 2 4 0 3 2—16
Palmer, 0 0 2 0 1 4 0 0 1—8

Times at bat, Three Rivers 45, Palmer 38. Earned runs, Three Rivers 4, Palmer 2. Total bases, Three Rivers 18, Palmer 5. Sacrifice hits, Burdette, Gorman. Stolen bases, Rycroft, Storey, Dillon. Two-base hits, Storey, Sullivan, Rycroft. Home run, Come. First base on balls, Sullivan, Burdette, C. Connor, Nelson, White, Shaw. Left on bases, Three Rivers 5, Palmer 6. Struck out, Jere Connor, Gorman, Come 3, C. Connors 3, Nelson 2, Donovan, White 2, Shaw. Batter hit, Collins. Double plays, Donovan and Nelson, Connor and Sullivan. Passed ball, White. Wild pitches, Burdette 2, Dillon. Time, 2h 15m. Umpires, Shaw and King.

The Electric Cars Running.

The first car over the tracks of the Palmer and Monson Street Railway Company was run last Saturday afternoon as far as the top of the Thorndike street hill, and in the evening another was run to Three Rivers and back. This afternoon they began making regular trips to that village. The line to Bondsville is not quite ready, but regular trips to that village may be expected next Monday.

The Central Massachusetts Electric Company announced that it was ready to furnish power Tuesday afternoon, and it was turned on. A car left the car barn on South Main street at 4 05 and made its way through Main to Thorndike street. The progress was slow, as the rails had to be cleared of dirt in many places. From the foot of Thorndike street there was practically a clear rail, and the car shot rapidly ahead to the top of the hill, then returned to the car barn. The streets were full of people watching the progress of the car, and a few boarded it for the ride to the top of the hill or back to the barn. In the evening at 8 a company of the directors, town officials and newspaper men, accompanied by their wives, boarded the car and enjoyed a ride to Three Rivers. The car ran smoothly, and all enjoyed the trip. There was some delay on the out trip on account of covered rails and branches of trees in close proximity to the car, but these were cleared away and good time was made on the run home. It was planned to start the cars regularly the next day, but a leak in the canal of the power company was discovered the next morning, and was not repaired until to-day.

School Teachers Appointed.

The school committee held a special meeting Monday afternoon and appointed the following teachers for next year: High school, A. C. Thompson, principal, Anna L. Fisherdick, Grace G. Rickey, Henrietta Pratt; Palmer grammar school, Clara D. Eddy, principal, Mertie M. Burnell, Helen L. Robinson, Mahel J. Sedgwick, Ellen S. Leach, Annie E. Tucker, Lula A. Dillon; Thorndike grammar school, Emma F. Barney, principal, Mary I. Taylor, Annie E O'Connor, Elizabeth Clifford, Lucy B. Twiss, Mary E. Murdock; Three Rivers grammar, Helen L. Sweet, principal, Jennie C. Twiss, Cora B. Clark, Kate M. Twiss, Annie B. Crane; Bondsville grammar school, Dora P. Cleveland, principal, Harriet B. Thayer, Grace B. Johnson, Annie A. Bishop, Mary C. Whelan; Wire Mill, Bridget M. Dowd; Palmer Center, Minnie Andrews; Forest Lake, Margery C. Bruce; Mason, Josie M. Mahoney; Shorley, Jennie M. Day; drawing, Gertrude M. Robinson; music, Joanna V. Cantwell; superintendent of schools, A. C. Thompson. The appointments are the same as the present force of teachers, with a few exceptions.

Stabbing Affair in Thorndike.

Peter Markavisz of Thorndike appeared in court Monday morning on a charge of having stabbed Christopher Shea, also of Thorndike. It seems that there was some trouble between the Pole and Shea, during which the former struck at the latter, who turned his back. A knife was in the hands of the Pole and it entered Shea's back below the right shoulder blade, narrowly escaping penetrating the lung. The case was continued a week to await the outcome of the wound. Charles E. Phinney of Thorndike was before the court, having been arrested in Monson for riding his bicycle on the sidewalk. He did not know that he was breaking any state law by riding upon the walk, he said, thinking that it was forbidden in Palmer by a town by-law. His case was continued for sentence without date.

Mills Not to Shut Down.

Although the announcement was made last week that the Palmer Mill at Three Rivers was to shut down the first of July for two weeks for repairs, there seems to be no foundation for the statement, as the mills are running full time on orders, and have no expectation or thought of any other state of affairs. The statement was made on what the JOURNAL considered authoritative information, though the original source of the report has not yet been determined. All will be glad that the Palmer Mill will run full time, while so many about are shutting down.

The house of Mrs. J. D. Blanchard on Park street is being painted.

Master Clayton Maxwell is visiting friends in New London.

One person was baptized at the Baptist church Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Fuller and son are at Ludlow, Vt., for a week.

Miss Marcella Dugan of Warren has been visiting Mrs. C. M. Holt.

C. E. A. Peck will move his family to West Springfield next week.

The Standard Oil Company is to erect an oil station on land near Water street.

Master Harold Anderson of Monson has returned home for his summer vacation.

Mrs. J. H. Keith has returned home after a visit with relatives in New Hampshire.

Dr. Anne Prosse Helt of Los Angles, Cal., is a guest at the home of Dr L. H. Hendee.

Mrs. E. B. Taylor attended the wedding of a friend in East Hartford, Ct., Wednesday.

Miss B. Murphy spent last week with friends in North Brookfield and Spencer.

Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Gamwell and guest, Mrs. Spaulding, visited Mt. Tom Monday.

Harry Leedham, son of J. H. Leedham, formerly of Palmer, has enlisted in the army.

Rev. O. G. Petrie will install the officers of the Y. P. C. U. at Warren Monday evening.

Mrs. Charles Roblee and daughter, Miss Gladys, have returned from a visit in New York.

Mrs. John Sedgwick left Monday for Denver, Col, for a visit of a number of weeks.

Miss Sadie Locke of Monson is a guest of Mrs. John Murphy at the Nassowauno House.

Mrs. Crance of Springfield spent Sunday and the first of the week with Mrs. W. P. Webster.

The King's Daughters met at the home of Mrs. C. N. Brainerd on Park street Tuesday afternoon.

A salad supper was given in the chapel of the Universalist church last evening by the Y. P. C. U.

Rev. C. T. Luce of Richmond preached in the Congregational church Sunday afternoon and evening.

Miss Josie Mahoney of Palmer was graduated from the Westfield Normal School Wednesday.

Henry W. Holbrook and Frank M. Connor have been appointed sworn weighers by the selectmen.

Miss Mamie Roche and Miss Dorothy Todd attended graduation exercises at Monson Tuesday.

A number of local merchants are to adopt the trading stamp feature in connection with their cash business.

Miss Carrie Fish left last evening for New York, where she will attend the wedding of a cousin next week.

The town clerk gives notice in another column that all dogs must be licensed before the first of July.

H. B. Knox and family of Providence, R. I., spent several days at the home of Dr. G. H. Wilkins this week.

Preaching in the Baptist church next Sunday morning will be by Rev. C. R. Minard. Subject, "Some essentials of Christianity."

Miss Tillie Lacouline has returned from her vacation and resumed her duties as telegraph operator in the office of Agent C. E. Fish.

Rev. O. G. Petrie, Mrs. George Robinson and Miss May Robinson attended the meeting of the Universalist Association at Spencer Tuesday.

There will be no services in the Universalist church Sunday evening, as the congregation will unite in the services at the Congregational church.

The lawn party and entertainment given by the senior class at the high school Friday evening was well attended, and the musical programme well rendered.

Special exercises were held in the schools of Mrs. Leach and Miss Sedgwick yesterday afternoon from 3 until 4 o'clock. There were a large number of visitors.

The class day exercises of the senior class of the high school will be held on the school lawn next Wednesday evening at 6.30 o'clock. All are invited to attend.

The Salvation Army will hold a welcome meeting in the opera house next Thursday evening, and on the following day will open their camp meeting at Forest Lake.

Israel Michelman of Ware was before the court Tuesday morning charged with peddling without a license in the village of Thorndike. He was fined $10 and paid.

Dr. William Holbrook attended the annual reunion of the 10th Mass. regiment at Holyoke Tuesday, and was elected president of the association for the ensuing year.

The selectmen have ordered the night lunch cart off Main street, and it has secured a location on the land of the Boston and Albany road just across the sidewalk from its former stand.

The subject for the sermon in the Universalist church Sunday morning will be "The final harmony of all souls with God." This is the last of the series upon the "Principles of Universalism" by the pastor.

Dr. William Holbrook was reappointed medical examiner for Brimfield, Holland, Monson, Wales and Palmer yesterday, by Governor Wolcott. Dr. Holbrook has held this office for the past twenty years.

Thomas lodge of Masons will meet at Masonic Hall at 3.15 Sunday afternoon to attend a St. John's Day service in the Congregational church at 4 o'clock. The sermon is to be preached by Rev. G. M. Gerrish.

Letters are advertised at the post office for Mrs. Mary A. Collins, Charlie Gong, Miss Francis B. Hadd, Betrand F. Harmon, Fred H. Sanger, Mrs. P. M. Thomas, Miss Ethel A. Turner, Horace P. Warfield.

Electric light wires came in contact with the tree on the corner of Foster avenue and Thorndike street Sunday evening, causing it to ignite in several places and attracting quite a number of persons to the place.

About 30 attended the strawberry supper in the Silver Street chapel Tuesday evening. E. B. Taylor, Rev. C. R. Minard, Frank Wilcox and Miss Georgia Packard took part in the entertainment given. All who attended report a most enjoyable time.

Home from school for the summer vacation: Misses Phoebe Hastings and Bertha Hastings from Smith College, Miss Ola M. Northrop from Mt. Holyoke, Miss Lula A. Dillon from Bridgewater Normal School, from which she was graduated Tuesday.

The Palmer High School Alumni Association will hold a meeting in the high school building next Wednesday evening, after the class day exercises. By the constitution all graduates of the school are members of the association, and such are requested to be present.

The Palmers will meet the Chicopee Falls team on the driving park to-morrow afternoon. Hanley and Collins will be the battery for Palmer, and Hannifin and Bruton will officiate in the like capacity for the visiting team. Admission 15 cents, ladies 10.

The Palmer Savings Bank has inaugurated a new departure in its business hours, and will hereafter be opened Friday evenings from 7.30 to 9, in order to give those who are busy during the day an opportunity to do business in the evening. A semi-annual dividend of 2½ per cent has been declared.

Three members were admitted into the membership of St. Paul's church Sunday morning: Mrs. L. E. Carpenter, Mrs. E. W. Carpenter and Miss Henrietta Pratt. Two children, Mildred Bishop Read and Frank Loren Read, received baptism, and at the evening service Pearl Vera Shaw was also baptized.

The Massachusetts Year Book for '98, published by F. S. Blanchard & Co. of Worcester, has been issued. It is 48 pages larger than last year, and as usual contains lots of valuable information. This publication is appreciated by business men throughout the state, and comes in very handily on numerous occasions.

The children of the Universalist Sunday school gave a patriotic concert in the church Sunday evening. The church was handsomely decorated with flowers, ferns, flags, and red, white and blue hunting. A very interesting programme was rendered by the children, and the audience joined in the singing of patriotic songs.

David F. Dillon, of the University of Michigan Law School, arrived in town yesterday, and will spend the summer vacation at his home on Central street. Mr. Dillon has won honors at the University this year as a debater, and represented his college in the contest with the University of Chicago, which was won by Michigan.

The high school baseball team will play its last game in the Brimfield-Palmer-Ware Interscholastic League series at Ware next Tuesday afternoon, with the Ware high school team. Palmer has broken even with the Ware team in the games played thus far, and the outcome of Tuesday's game is awaited with considerable interest.

There promises to be a large number of entries for the bicycle races on the park July 4th. Next week Manager Tufts will commence work upon the track, and will have it in the best condition possible. Considerable interest is manifested in the three match races, which promise to be very interesting events. Entries close next Wednesday at noon.

A special meeting of the stockholders of the Palmer and Monson Street Railway Company will be held in the rooms of the Palmer Business and Social Club to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. The purpose of the meeting is to see if the stockholders will authorize the directors to petition the board of railroad commissioners to issue the original capital stock of $25,000, and to increase the capital stock to $60,000.

The pastor of the Baptist church will speak Sunday morning on "Common sense and religion." In the evening he will preach a sermon to the graduating class of the high school on "The noblest ideal with the noblest motive." The other churches of the village are invited to be present at the service, and their pastors to participate in the exercises. A special invitation is given to all members of the high school.

Louis Wells lost a horse Wednesday evening, the animal dying with colic. During the night the horse became untied and ate a quantity of wilted grass, which brought on the attack. Another horse was found untied and wandering about the barn, but fortunately had not eaten of the grass. Mr. Wells is at a loss to understand how both horses became untied, as he took particular pains to make sure of their being securely fastened late in the evening.

The Woman's Relief Corps will give a lawn party on the lawn of E. S. Brooks on Thorndike street next Tuesday evening. Supper will be served in baskets, and ice cream, cake and lemonade will also be on sale. Should the weather be inclement the party will be held in Memorial Hall. The object of the party is to raise money for the emergency fund, to be used in providing comforts for the sick and wounded soldiers in the present war. The cause is a most worthy one, and there should be a good attendance.

The Sunday dinners at Forest Lake are growing in popularity under the efficient management of Landlord Pierce of the Converse House. An excellent menu is provided, but later in the season still more attractive spreads will be in order. The menu for next Sunday will be:

Soup.
Consomme a la Royal.
Fish.
Baked Chicken Halibut.
Boiled.
Scarlet Beef Tongue, Piquant Sauce.
Roast.
Young Turkey, Giblet Sauce.
Entrees.
Potato Salad. Spanish Puffs, Dewey Wine Sauce.
Vegetables.
Boiled Potatoes, Mashed Potatoes, New Green Peas, Sugar Corn.
Pastry.
Apple and Squash Pie, Strawberry Short Cake.
Vanila and Strawberry Ice Cream.
Tea. Milk. Coffee.

The private school of Miss M. E. Marsh will close for the summer vacation next Wednesday afternoon with exercises in the parlors of the Congregational church at 2.30 o'clock, to which all are invited. The following programme will be rendered:

March.
Recitation, "Wecome," Ernest Prescott
Essay, "Two Famous Composors," Eudocia Flynt.
Music, School
Recitation, "Waiting to Grow," Hazel Stebbins.
Essay, "Inventions," Hattie Prescott
Music, School
Recitation, "Farmer John," Charles Prescott
Essay, "Flowers," Grace Thompson
Music, School
Recitation, "Give Us a Chance," George Buck
Essay, "Birds," Edwin Buck
Essay, "Slavery," Kate Matthews
Music, School
Recitation, "Who Stole the Bird's Nest?" Margery Buck.
Recitation, "The Jingle Song," School
Music, School
Essay, "Canine Race," Rufus Flynt, Jr.
Music. School
Declamation, "Progress of Civilzation," John Matthews.
Music, School

BONDSVILLE.

Miss Mahel Alley has returned home for the summer.

The whooping cough and coughs without the whoop are prevalent.

T. Waterhouse has accepted a position in O. A. Parent's store.

Mrs. Charles Gardiner was thrown from her tandem recently and strained her ankle quite severely.

Michael Doyle has moved to Worcester, where he has accepted a position with Washburn & Moen.

William O'Regan, a former and well-known resident of this place, made a short call on friends this week.

Miss Margery C. Bruce was graduated Tuesday from the Bridgewater Normal School. Gavin and Richard Bruce attended the graduating exercises.

Leon E. Ryther was graduated this week from the University of Maine with the degree of Bachelor of Science. He was one of the most popular men in his class, being elected treasurer of it.

It is hoped that the people will support the plans for a celebration on the Fourth, similar to that of last year, when a very good celebration was participated in, considering the size of the place.

Mrs. Patrick Sullivan, 63, died Thursday morning at the home of her son, Lawrence Sullivan. The funeral will be held at the Catholic church to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock, and the interment will be in the Thorndike cemetery.

THREE RIVERS.

Miss Julia Brown has moved to Bondsville.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Abare spent Sunday in Ware.

Mrs. W. H. Bliss is visiting her parents in Collinsville, Ct.

Mr. and Mrs. George Jordan are visiting in Plattsburg, N. Y.

Joseph La Plant has accepted a position in Keith's drug store.

Charles Kendrick is working in J. B. Brown & Co's. market.

Mr. and Mrs. William Porter are home from their wedding trip.

James Barber is confined to his house by an attack of rheumatism.

Save Electric Lustre Starch trade marks. Send three to the Electric Lustre Starch Co., 45 Commercial street, Boston, Mass., and receive a set of pretty paper dolls, free. C. HITCHCOCK & Co.

Mrs. Ida Tinkham of Athol is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. S. Barton.

Mrs. G. S. Butler has gone to spend the summer at her former home in Union, N. H.

Miss Fannie L. Barnes of the South Framingham Normal school is home for the summer vacation.

Great improvements are being made in the grounds surrounding the drinking fountain near the common.

Cattle, wagons, harnesses, grass, cordwood, etc., are to be sold at auction on the Ferrell place to-morrow afternoon.

The Three Rivers nine will play the Ludlows on the home grounds to-morrow. Batteries: Three Rivers, Sullivan and Burdett; Ludlows, Superneau and Loug.

The local baseball club hold a meeting Tuesday evening and elected John Twiss manager and A. A. Warriner assistant manager, in place of Lyman Keith and Walter Russell, resigned.

Rev. H. M. Lawson, a returned missionary, will speak in the Union church Sunday morning on mission work in India. In the evening he will give a lecture, illustrated by stereopticon views, on the same subject.

Children's Day was observed Sunday in the Union church with appropriate services. At the morning service Rev. G. S. Butler spoke especially to the children. His subject was: "Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right." The annual children's day concert by the Sunday school was held in the evening. The programme given was especially interesting and reflected much credit upon officers and their assistants.

The Christian Endeavor society of the Union church will hold a lawn party next Friday evening on the grounds of F. A. Ruggles. The local orchestra will furnish music.

THORNDIKE.

Miss Geneva Clark is home from her school in Danvers.

Miss Nolan of Ware visited in town with friends on Monday.

Mrs. A. L. Tolman attended the wedding of her sister at Millbury last week.

Miss Stearns and friend of Boston were the guests of her father over Sunday.

M. G. Roche, who has been quite ill, has recovered so as to be about once again.

E. B. Williams has gone to a Boston hospital, where he is to undergo a surgical operation.

Leary Bros. and William Lawton have put out new signs advertising their line of business.

Men have been at work the past week filling in on the sides of the electric road and grading the same.

Miss Nellie Murphy, who has been spending several weeks with her sister at Worcester, has returned home.

Mrs. Graw and daughter, Mrs. James Flynn, and son, of Hartford, have been visiting friends here for a few days.

James Loftus recently found a tarantula in a bunch of bananas; he succeeded in shaking it into a large bottle, and it has been on exhibition at his store.

The foundation for S. J. Jorczak's new barn, which he is to build on his property on the Bondsville road, is being put in; Andrew Brosnan is doing the work.

Rev. Thomas Donoghue, assistant at St. Thomas's church, Palmer, was celebrant at the 9 a. m. service on Sunday at St. Mary's church in the absence of the pastor, Rev. F. J. Lynch.

The Holyoke Athletics will cross bats with the local team here on Saturday at 3 p. m. The visitors are one of the strongest teams in the western part of the state, and a good game may be assured those who attend.

The Columbian Band will go to Ware July 4th to play for the races, and in the evening will go to Bondsville, where they will give several selections during the celebration which is to be given by the village people.

Next Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock the Feast of St. John will be celebrated by Thomas lodge of Masons, in the Congregational church. The sermon will be preached by Rev. G. M. Gerrish, chaplain of the lodge. The public are invited to attend.

A ROCKING CHAIR FREE

With a 47 Cent Can of Baking Powder at J. F. Foley's.

At present there is a very liberal offer in effect at the grocery store of J. F. Foley, corner of Main and Walnut streets, which is being taken advantage of by many. We would call the attention of our readers to the offer that they, too, may avail themselves of it and be among the lucky ones. Every person purchasing a can of baking powder at 47 cents is presented with a strong, substantial wooden rocking chair. Baking powder is something used by nearly every housewife, its value to them being well known, so that every family may profit by Mr. Foley's offer. Concerning the baking powder, nothing further need be said than that it is manufactured by Hanlon and has been on the market for fifteen years, standing many a test and having proved its merits time and again.

Electric Lustre Starch is one of the many modern luxuations that help to make housework a pleasure. By its use ironing is made easier, the linen preserved and made to look like new. Requires no boiling. Will not stick to the iron. Blue Packages. C. HITCHCOCK & Co.

BORN.

In Palmer, 18th, twin daughters to Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Lane.
In Palmer, 21st, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Murphy.
In Monson, 20th, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Pierce.
In Monson, 13th, a son to Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Chateauneuf.
In Monson, 18th, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Sunter.
In Cambridge, 18th, a daughter (Viola Louise) to Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Howard, and great-granddaughter to E. B. Gates of Palmer.
In Groton, Ct., 10th, a daughter, (Marion Frances) to Wales F. and Jennie Needham, and granddaughter to Mrs. Otis Needham of Monson.

MARRIED.

In Ware, 21st, by Rev. James Boyle, William B. Kelly and Nellie Collins.
In Eldorado, O., 19th, by Rev. J. H. Blackford-William L. Ricketts of Monson and Grace Black, ford of Eldorado.

DIED.

In Bondsville, 23d, Mrs. Patrick Sullivan, 63.
In Belchertown, 19th, Alanson W. Stacey, 80.
In Belchertown, 17th, Mrs. Emily Richardson, 72.

A QUANTITY of standing grass for sale—very heavy. H. A. NORTHROP. 13-1

FOR SALE.—Rye straw for sale cheap. 12-2 J. K. BUTLER, North Wilbraham.

FOR SALE.—A second-hand oil stove in good condition. MRS. D. L. BODFISH, Park St.

TO RENT.—6-room tenement in Cross Block. Inquire of F. F. MARCY or D. L. BODFISH.

TO RENT.—Two tenements on Fox avenue. 44-tf Apply to G. S. HOLDEN.

FINE CABBAGE PLANTS from Gregory's Choice Seeds. All leading varieties. 10-4 H. D. GEER, Three Rivers.

FOR SALE.—One top-buggy and one Democrat wagon, both in good repair. 9-tf D. L. BODFISH.

TO RENT.—One nice tenement on the Weeks' property on Fox avenue. 8-tf MRS. JOHN GAFFNEY, Box 53.

FOR SALE.—19 very fine Berkshire Pigs. Inquire of G. E. BUCK, Buck's Hardware Store, Palmer. 6-tf

TO RENT.—Paint Shop and blacksmith shop, South Main street. Inquire of W. W. LEACH. 12-tf

FOR SALE.—Meat Market in Wales, doing a good business, the only market in town. Reason for selling, poor health. For information address, BROWN & LYONS, Wales. 8-tf

FOR SALE.—I have six cows, good ones, due new milch along in July. Also several cholee heifers, different breeds, due in same month. It might pay you to look at them. A. D. NORCROSS. Monson, June 23, 1898. 13-1

DRESSMAKER, late with New York house, will make all the latest styles, in suits and waists, very reasonable for summer. MISS A. D. DREW, Lyman House, 13-1 near Shearer's Corner, Palmer.

LOST.—Thursday, June 23d, between Brown's store, Three Rivers and Forest Lake, a pocketbook containing sum of money. Finder will be rewarded if he leaves it at this office or returns to owner. 13-1

CHOICE REAL ESTATE FOR SALE on North Main street, Palmer; double lot, fine shade, slate roofs, steam heat, electric lights, large barns, in fact a very desirable property. Also small farm at Palmer Center. Apply JOHN NEWMAN. 8-tf

WOOD, $3.00 PER CORD.—Mixed Oak, Chestnut, and Pine Wood, small size, delivered any part of village, $3.50 per cord in 4-foot lengths, or cut stove length at usual advance. Leave orders at BUCK'S HARDWARE STORE, or home of GEORGE E. BUCK. 3 tf

TOWN OF PALMER.

NOTICE TO DOG OWNERS.

All dogs must be licensed before the first day of July. JAS. B. SHAW, Town Clerk. 13-1

WANTED.—INVENTORS and parties interested in INVENTIONS and PATENTS to consult or correspond with WM. S. BELLOWS, Solicitor and Expert in Patents, 307 Main Street, Springfield, Mass. PATENTS obtained in the United States and all foreign countries, and all business in connection with inventions and patent and royalty contracts attended to. Trade Marks registered, Copyrights secured. BOOK OF INFORMATION on patents sent free on application to any address.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

The copartnership heretofore existing between the undersigned under the firm name of the Monson Granite Co., is hereby dissolved, William A. Beattie retiring from the firm. The remaining partners will continue the business as heretofore, and pay all the bills due from the late firm and collect all bills due to the former copartnership.

Signed { JOHN WILLIAM HALL, GEORGE HALL, WILLIAM A. BEATTIE.

June 14th, 1898. 12-3

FOR SALE. { A No. 1 three-can Cooley Creamer, cost $33, will sell for $10. Cans never been used. S. H. HELLYAR, Palmer, Mass. } $10

HOUSEWIVES!

Here is something of interest and value to you. You all make cake, of course, and know well the troubles and disappointments experienced with the frosting. I have something which will eradicate these troubles, etc., and make the best of frosting. It is

FROSTLENE.

It is used with confectioner's sugar and after a moment's beating the creamiest, most lustrous, sweetest frosting ever seen is the result. It positively makes better frosting than the whites of eggs, costs less, remains soft longer, will not chip, crumble or run, is always fresh and sweet.

Are these not the characteristics of a frosting you would like on your cake? Try a 10-cent bottle and see its merits. If not satisfactory, your money will be returned.

Aside from making excellent frosting, it makes the finest possible Ice Cream, Sherbet, and Pudding Sauces.

E. B. TAYLOR,

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Washburn, Crosby Co's. Superlative Flour, $6.50 Barrel, AT J. F. FOLEY'S.

Pillsbury's XXXX Haxall, $6.75 Barrel, AT J. F. FOLEY'S.

18 lbs. Revere Fine Sugar for $1, AT J. F. FOLEY'S.

7 lbs. Laundry Starch for 25 cents, AT J. F. FOLEY'S.

50 Bars Laundry Soap, $1, AT J. F. FOLEY'S.

JUNE 25th.

SATURDAY BARGAINS! AT BODFISH'S.

36 in. Percales, 6 1-4c.
Prints, Dress Styles, 4c.
One Lot Muslins, 5c.
A Fine Lot of Dress Muslins, 8, 10, 12 1-2 and 15c.

Shirt Waists! Shirt Waists!
39c, 50c, 75c, $1 and up.
FINE FABRICS. BEST AND LATEST STYLES.

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On all our Summer Capes and Jackets.

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BANKING HOURS: 9 a. m. to 3 p. m. Saturday, 9 a. m. to 12 m. Friday Evening, 7.30 to 9.

H. W. McGREGORY, Treasurer.

Sunday Dinners ...at... Forest Lake.

The management at Forest Lake, Palmer, announces

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 24, 1898.

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

MONSON.

THE ACADEMY COMMENCEMENT.

A Large Class Goes Out in the 94th Year of the Institution.

Monson Academy has closed its 94th year, graduating a class of 22, one of the largest for some time. Misses Clark of Mt. Holyoke College and Wales of Monson have been added to the faculty, and the average attendance of pupils shows an increase over that of recent years.

Commencement exercises began Sunday evening in the Congregational church with the baccalaureate sermon by Rev. Dr. S. C. Bartlett of Andover, N. H., a former pastor of the Monson church and ex-president of Dartmouth College. The church was tastefully decorated with ferns and white flowers, and the class motto was suspended above the pulpit. A quartette led by Mrs. A. D. Norcross furnished music. At the beginning of the sermon the electric lights suddenly went out, and the building was left in darkness. Pulpit lamps were at once brought in, however.

Dr. Bartlett took his text from I Corinthians iii: 13-14.

This passage, which originally referred to the upbuilding of a Christian life under the labors of a pastor, was applied by the preacher to the coming life work of the young, every young person being under God, the architect of his own fortune. The theme of the discourse was "The upbuilding of a life rightly and not wrongly, with gold, silver and costly stones, rather than with wood, hay and stubble." The several points of contrast presented were wise forecast, instead of vain wishes and expectations; the golden qualities of labor and pluck, as against the wooden notion of chance and luck; the solid stones of thoroughness opposed to the straw of superficiality; vigilant purpose as a contrast to indolent aimlessness; reliance on diligence and patience; a trust in integrity and principle, instead of in policy and craft.

These several points were amply illustrated from real life, and supplemented by final remarks that all should be gathered up and guaranteed by vital faith in Jesus Christ. When the apostle spoke of building with gold and costly stones, his thought may have run back to the edifice once the pride and glory of Israel, standing out so sightly on its bold headland in the city of David, plated within with pure gold, and flashing back the morning sunlight from polished white stones. That material given beauty has passed away. Another temple has come and gone. A third gorgeous structure standing on its place was soon to be thrown down, and not one stone left on another. But the spiritual edifice built upon the pattern shown in the model of God and completed in the gospel, Jesus Christ being the chief-corner-stone, that building no more.

Public examinations were held during the day Monday, and the annual meeting of the board of trustees was held in the library of the Academy in the afternoon and evening. A change was made in the examining committee, to which Henry A. King of Springfield was chosen. A spirit of hopefulness prevailed and a determination to keep the school in the fore front of institutions of its class was dominant throughout the entire meeting. These officers were elected: President, Dr. P. W. Lyman; vice president, Rev. F. S. Hatch; clerk, W. M. Tucker; treasurer, E. F. Morris; auditor, L. C. Flynt; standing committee, E. F. Morris, Dr. F. W. Ellis, W. M. Tucker; examining committee, H. A. King, Prof. Wm. Cowles; appropriation committee, F. S. Hatch, F. W. Ellis, E. F. Morris; library committee, L. C. Flynt, F. W. Ellis, Dr. P. W. Sonle; entrance committee, H. A. King, E. F. Morris, F. S. Hatch. It was voted to graduate Miss Wilhelmina Louise Larson when she shall have completed a portion of the year's work which illness prevented her from doing with the class.

The ivy was planted by the graduating class in the evening, after which ivy exercises were held in the chapel with this programme: Greeting by the president, C. P. Dow; ivy essay, Miss Chella B. Davis; class history, E. S. Fuller; class prophecy, Miss Flora Markham; statistics written by R. F. Morris and read by H. W. Bughee; class presentations, W. R. Davis, responded to by Perley Aldrich, 1901, Miss Myra Brown, 1900, and R. D. Morris, 1899; class will, Miss Grace D. Moore; class prophecy, R. H. Richards; presentation of pictures to the Academy, received by Rev. C. A. Dinsmore in behalf of the trustees.

In spite of the threatening clouds Monson people and many out-of-town friends of the Academy assembled in Memorial Hall to listen to the graduation exercises. Every seat was filled, and chairs and settees were brought in to accommodate the crowd, but many were obliged to stand. The stage decorations were more elaborate than ever before, and were the work of the class of '99. The entire sidewall of the semi-circular stage was a mass of laurel, and the front of the platform was fringed with ferns and daisies. The dome above was draped with streamers in the national colors, and from the ceiling was suspended the class motto. The boys of the class of '99 acted as ushers. After preliminary selections by the orchestra came the processional, the lower classes forming lines between which the trustees, clergy, faculty and graduates marched to the stage. The exercises were carried out in the order previously given. Two prizes, $15 and $10, given by Mr. and Mrs. H. A. King of Springfield to the two participants in the programme whose essays or orations were deemed best in composition and delivery, were awarded to Mr. Dow and Miss Aldrich.

At the close of the exercises came the alumni dinner, furnished by Marcus Keep W. R. C. and held in Graud Army hall, which was in every way a success. A larger number than usual were present. Henry A. King, president of the alumni association, was toastmaster. The following officers were elected for the year: President, Henry A. King; vice president, Lyman C. Flynt; secretary and treasurer, Thaddeus L. Cushman; committee of arrangements for 1899 dinner, Mrs. Robert H. Cushman, Eugene J. Foskit, and Mrs. J. C. Wing of Palmer.

To the toast, "What the Academy has done for the class of '98," Miss Lenora Stiles responded, saying: "The class is proud of the Academy and we hope that the Academy will be proud of us." "The field for endowed academies and private schools" was most happily responded to by Miss Julia A. Eastman of Wellesley College, who began by speaking of her first day in Monson 42 years ago, referring to it as a "chapter of ancient history." "Father Tufts" was the principal of the Academy, and as she arrived 24 hours before school opened she was immediately directed to read a chapter on "Warren Hastings" in Macauley's Essays, and was told that she would later on be required to write a debate upon his impeachment. As she was unfamiliar with the subject she felt that it opened for her a field of thought at the very outset of her school-life in Monson; it was something beyond her, and this she called the ground-plan of education. She rejoices that the Academy remains an academy, illustrating the "survival of the fittest." To the toast "The modern alumnus at the bar," J. Henri Brown, class of '91, said that he should infer that he was regarded as the only alumnus from the reading of the toast; also that there might be some question as to the meaning of the last words, but presumed it referred to the practice of law, and gave this advice to any who might contemplate becoming lawyers: "Tho first few years will present large opportunities for study and recreation, but one who goes in with serious purpose will never regret it." Mr. King in announcing the next toast, "The alumnus in the Legislature; one who is at home beneath the gilded State House dome, and above whom floats the sacred codfish," said that he expected Hon. W. W. Leach to be present and respond, but it was evident that Senator Leach had been detained by the codfish. Dr. F. W. Ellis responded to "Dr. Ely, the devoted friend of the Academy for 50 years; his influence still helps to mould the institution," and spoke with enthusiasm, saying that no man could be settled over one church 60 years if he were much less than a saint. Dr. Ely, on a salary of $500 a year, gave $100 to the Academy; self-sacrifice was the key-note of his career. Not only did he give of his money, but his time and energies also, helping to build the school up to a high standard. A. D. Norcross was then called upon to speak. He is a descendant of one of the founders, Joel Norcross. "The founding of the Academy," he said, "was great in its relation to the times. It was seon after the Revolution, when matters of state were adjusting themselves, that the citizens of this valley went about the undertaking; where $100 meant as much as many times that amount does at the present day; when all had many interests, and this one would be of vastly greater importance to the coming generations than to themselves. Mr. Norcross recalled the semi-centennial of the Academy, which was celebrated in 1854, which he as a barefooted urchin stole away to attend. Prof. James H. Tufts responded to the toast "An alumnus by adoption whom we delight to honor." Mr. Tufts said that in coming from Chicago to Monson he felt that he was coming from a place where it was good to work to a place where it was also good to live. This always suggests afresh the question as to what make up the real values of life. Prof. Drummond once said that the three elements of perfect life are suggested by Millet's Angelus, where the figures tell of work, of friendship or companionship, and of God. To this, speaking in this gathering, we naturally add a fourth, the element knowledge or education, which affects power fully as much as the other three. For it is through the aid of this that work becomes less and less mere drudgery, and more a mastery of mind over nature's forces. It is through this that companionship is broadened to include not merely those we see in our own neighborhood but the great fellowship of letters. It is through this that religion beeomes not a superstition but an uplifting power. It is finally through this that our people are brought into that general knowledge of each other and of each other's interests on which democracy and the state must rest. The toast, "The good trustee who would a-bicycling go in foreign lands, and what perils he fell into," was responded to by Rev. F. S. Hatch. He disclaimed the fitness of the article "The," and then confessed that he was called up simply to narrate an adventure told to the toastmaster as a profound secret. This adventure was used to illustrate the stability and perpetuity of the noble ends for which Monson Academy was founded. T. L. Cushman then spoke of the "Alumni" or "Centennial" fund. This fund is of recent beginning; in fact the first donation was given but four weeks ago, and although but six names are as yet on the list more than $2000 has been subscribed. Beginning with the class of '81 it is expected that each class coming after will organize with a treasurer of its own to receive contributions from its members. It is expected that the earnings of the fund will be applied towards the principal's salary, if indeed it does not in time pay the entire amount. Mr. King then spoke of the recent endowments received by the Academy, $25,000 by the will of Mrs. Sophia B. Holmes and $10,000 by the will of Mrs. Nancy M. Lyon, making the whole endowment fund $76,000. It is expected that a gymnasium will be added in the near future. During the dinner and between speeches a number of college songs were sung, closing with "Auld Lang Syne." There were 108 present.

In the evening the senior reception was held in the Academy chapel. The orchestra furnished music for dancing, and the attendance was unusually large.

There were many out-of-town people present at the different exercises of the week, the majority of whom were formerly pupils in the Academy: Rev. C. A. Dinsmore, Miss Julia A. Eastman, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. King, Dr. P. W. Lyman, J. Henri Brown, Mrs. Maude (Pomeroy) Kimball, Mrs. Zoe (Phillips) Hall, Mrs. Gertrude (Bell) Browne, Miss Mahelle L. Bowe, Miss Hurlburt, Miss Catherine Smith, Mrs. Charles Gardner, Mrs. George King, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Strong, Mrs. Genie (Fairman) Leach, Mrs. L. E. Chandler, Mrs. J. C. Wing, Miss Lathrop, Mrs. J. V. Squier, Miss Hattie Flynt, Mrs. May (Davis) Hall, Mrs. C. O. Thompson, H. C. Broughton, Mrs. F. W. King, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Stebbins.

Ezra Gould has taken a position with C. J. Leary, plumber.

Mrs. W. T. Brown of Norwich is visiting at D. B. Needham's.

W. S. T. Fitz will spend Sunday with Charles Blood in Ware.

Mrs. Martin Webber slipped and sprained her ankle Monday evening.

J. N. Graves is building a barn for Mr. Needham at North Monson.

Mrs. C. E. Stacy of North Wilbraham is visiting at W. G. Meacham's.

Mrs. Fred W. King of Chicago is visiting Mrs. W. K. Flynt and others.

Harold Thompson of Marion has returned home for the summer vacation.

Miss Anna L. Perry of Webster has been visiting at S. P. Morris's this week.

Miss Idella Anderson of Great Barrington has returned home for the summer.

George Bennett of Tufts College returned home Tuesday night for the summer.

Miss Mollie Lathrop of Stafford Springs has been visiting at R. H. Cushman's.

A party of cyclists from this place spent the day at Mountain Park Wednesday.

Edward F. Cushman of Marion has returned home for the summer vacation.

Mrs. Rufus Leach and little daughter of Somerville are visiting at B. A. Day's.

The Monson Cycle League will hold its regular meeting next Tuesday evening.

T. J. Mills is building an addition to L. G. Cushman's barn on Harrison avenue.

A strawberry festival was held in the new chapel at Silver Street Tuesday evening.

Charles H. Webb of the Boston Dental College is home for the summer vacation.

Miss Musa Bahlitt is visiting her sister, Mrs. Charles L. Ricketts, in Manchester, Ct.

Robert H. Shaw, teller at the Monson Savings Bank, is visiting in Boston and vicinity.

Miss Harriet Pease is attending the commencement exercises at Andover Academy.

Miss Carrie B. Webb will sing in the Congregational church Sunday for the Y. M. C. A.

The Monson lodge of Odd Fellows worked the third degree on one candidate last evening.

Rufus Aldrich, who has been employed at West Upton the past winter, has returned home.

Miss Ida Musgrave of New York is spending a few weeks at the home of S. F. Cushman, Jr.

James Carlon has resigned his position at the depot as flagman, and has gone to Forest Lake to work.

Arthur Clements is spending a few weeks in Rochester, N. Y., before returning to his home in Everett.

Miss Bertha E. Culver of Great Barrington has been spending a week with Miss Martha Anderson.

The Monson baseball team played the Hampden team at that place Saturday, with a victory of 20 to 8.

An open air meeting will be held in front of the Congregational church next Sunday evening at 6 o'clock.

Rev. Harry Blackford attended a meeting of the Union Association for Universalists, held at Spencer, Tuesday.

Webster Ayers, superintendent at R. M. Reynolds's straw shop for the past year, has returned to his home in Franklin.

Prof. A. N. Burke, Harry W. Bughee and Ernest Fuller are attending the commencement exercises at Wesleyan College.

Q H. Ball, clerk at W. N. Flynt & Sons' store, left Wednesday night for Clinton, Ia., his old home, on a month's vacation.

E T. Connolly, proprietor of the pool room, dislocated his shoulder Tuesday evening while trying to ride a bicycle.

Miss Mabel Tucker and Prof. J. S. R. Coy attended the commencement exercises at Wesleyan Academy, Wilbraham, Monday.

The regular monthly meeting of the selectmen will be held on Saturday, July 2d, as the first Monday is the 4th of July.

Mrs. W. W. Baker and son, who have been visiting at W. H. Bugbee's and O. C. McCray's, have returned to their home in Westwood.

L. C. Flynt, G. C. Flynt, A. D. Norcross and W. H. Gifford attended the meeting of the Connecticut valley highway association at Blandford Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Crowley returned Saturday from their wedding trip and have commenced housekeeping in Martin Webber's house on State street.

J. W. Fowler left Tuesday for his home in Milford, Ct., where he will remain a few days and will then go to West Upton, where he has charge of the dyeing at a large straw shop.

Invitations are out for the wedding of Miss Isabella A. Curley, daughter of John Curley, and Cornelius D. Sullivan, to take place at the St. Patrick rectory next Wednesday at 3 o'clock.

The regular meeting of A. A. Gage camp, Sons of Veterans, will be held next Tuesday night and a large attendance is desired, as this will be the last meeting the camp will hold until September.

William A. Beattie has retired from the Monson Granite Co., and the business will hereafter be conducted by the two remaining members of the company, John W. and George Hall. Mr. Beattie will continue his business in Ware as usual.

All the patrons of the Central Massachusetts Electric Co. have been notified that after July 1st all lights will be put on the meter system. The majority are satisfied with this change, while there are a few who do not think favorably of it, as they think it will increase the cost of the lights.

A large number of people visited the Florida car at the depot Tuesday, although several were disappointed upon going to the station in the evening to find that it had gone at 5 o'clock. The car contained beautiful specimens from that tropical state, especially fruits, flowers, agricultural products, all of which were perserved. It also contained a number of animals.

Monson strawberry growers are not to be outdone by their Palmer neighbors. The JOURNAL correspondent was presented a box of the luscious fruit this week grown on the George Blanchard farm, in which there were but 31 berries to the quart. They were picked from a spot 20 feet square. Wednesday a box was presented by Edson M. Walker which contained but 28 berries to the quart.

Rev. John S. Nelligan, curate at St. Patrick's church for the past three years and a half, has been transferred by the bishop to Millers Falls, where he will have charge of a parish. Mr. Nelligan has gained many friends during his short stay in Monson who will regret his departure, but who wish him the best of success in his new field and first parish. He left Monson yesterday, and will commence his duties at once.

William L. Ricketts of this place and Miss Grace Blackford of Eldorado, O., sister of Rev. Harry Blackford of the Universalist church, were married at Eldorado Sunday at 3 o'clock by Rev. J. H. Blackford, the bride's father. Mr. Ricketts is one of Monson's prominent young men, is very popular in both social and political circles, and is at the present time a member of the school committee and of the board of assessors. The bridal couple are taking a short wedding trip, and are expected home next Monday. They will reside in Mrs. Bell's house on Green street.

Considerable talk is being made in regard to fast driving and bicycle riding through Main street, especially after dark. It is not an unusual occurrence to see two teams or a number of bicycles racing through the street. This is dangerous in more than one way. People crossing the street are quite liable to get run over, or some one coming from the opposite direction in teams or on bicycles are in danger of getting run into. Some are inclined to stop bicycle racing, but are willing to allow teams to race as much as they please, giving for their reason that people can hear the teams coming and that a bicycle makes very little noise. But there have been about as many narrow escapes from accidents by fast driving as from bicycles.

The committee chosen by the Business Men's Association to arrange for some demonstration or parade on the 4th of July in connection with the flag raising, is meeting with very good success. The plans thus far are to have a parade which will probably consist of the Grand Army, fire department, Monson Cycle league, also any orders or societies that choose to take part, or individuals, antiques of any kind, or floats, in fact any body that cares too is invited to join in the parade. Just what hour the parade will take place is not decided, but probably between 8 and 9 o'clock. The parade will be followed by the flag raising, which will consist of appropriate exercises, and possibly a speaker can be secured. Arrangements for music have not yet been made. An effort is being made to have a hose race after the flag raising, and undoubtedly such a race will be arranged.

WARE.

A. A. Etienne succeeds William Medcalf as inspector for the board of health.

The engagement of Miss Mary Bordeau to William H. Galvin is announced.

At the recent June festival, held for the benefit of the building fund of All Saints' church, the sum of $442 was cleared.

A company from the industrial home for the blind in Hartford, Ct., will give an entertainment in the town hall next Thursday evening.

Harry O. Kennedy of Philadelphia is home for the summer. Mr. Kennedy was recently graduated from the Drexel Institute in that city.

A team of checker players from Monson defeated a local team Saturday in an interesting contest, which the victors won by a margin of three games.

Miss Katherine McManus was graduated from the Bridgewater Normal School this week. Her sister, Miss Jennie, attended the commencement exercises.

Miss Nellie Collins and William B. Kelley were married Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at All Saints' church by Rev. James Boyle. John Kelley of Holyoke, brother of the groom, was best man, and Miss Katherine Collins, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. After the ceremony a reception was given at the home of the bride on North street, after which the newly married couple left for a wedding trip to New York and up the Hudson. On their return they will reside at 5 Prospect street.

The high school graduating exercises were held in the town hall Wednesday evening. A very interesting address was given by Mrs. Alice Freeman Palmer of Boston, and Col. E. H. Gilbert, treasurer of the school committee, presented the diplomas. The graduating class numbered thirteen members, as follows: Classical course, Arthur Francis Bassett, Helen Cleveland Chute, John Andrew Davis, Emma Christine Gilbert and Mary Frances Nolan; Latin-scientific course, Lera Louise Bassett, James Dugan, George Earle Holmes, Mabel Delphia Lamherten, Ernest Foster Marsh and Mabel Anna Southworth. Of this number, Arthur Bassett, John Davis, Earle Holmes and Ernest Marsh are to enter Williams College next fall, Miss Chute is going to Oberlin, Miss Southworth to Mt. Holyoke and Miss Gilbert to the Westfield Normal School.

WALES.

Mr. Bailey and wife of Utica, N. Y., are guests of Mrs. William Barnes.

Some miscreant pulled up $10 worth of pea vines Monday night belonging to a farmer, who is satisfied as to who the offender is and will endeavor to secure a reckoning.

These scholars have been neither absent nor tardy at the second primary school during the spring term of 12 weeks: Roy Needham, Willie Powers, Frank Powers, Lizzie Tobin, Beatrice Thompson.

LUDLOW CENTER.

Miss Mattie Clark has returned home from her school in West Springfield.

The up-town schools closed last Friday. The village schools closed to-day.

Miss Etta Lynde of the Center school returned to her home in Dummerston, Vt., Monday.

Fred Miller, son of Dea. Herbert E. Miller, was graduated from the Wesleyan Academy Wednesday. Willis S. Fisher was graduated from the Massachusetts Agricultural College on the same day.

HAMPDEN.

William Gardner, who was injured some time ago by a fall from a staging, is able to be about on crutches.

The Kackus Remedy Company is giving free shows on the green near C. Goodwill's livery stable this week.

Rev. Mr. Eitzholtz of the Methodist church left Monday evening for Nebraska for a stay of two weeks, and it is expected that his bride will accompany him on his homeward trip. During his absence Mr. Potter of Wesleyan Academy will supply his pulpit.

WARREN.

Rev. Dwight Pratt of Auburndale occupied the Congregational pulpit last Sabbath. Rev. John Walker will preach next Sunday.

A special meeting of the King's Daughters was held with Mrs. C. A. Deland Wednesday afternoon. The Daugbters and their friends picknicked at Lake Lasbaway this afternoon.

The reception given by the junior class of the high school in honor of the seniors Wednesday evening was an extremely delightful affair. The reception lasted from 8 till 9; from 9 till 10 the musical and literary programme was rendered, including a piano solo by Miss Helen Clark, recitations by Misses Wotton and Sperry, piano duet by Miss Farnsworth and Mr. Chandler, and class prophecy by Miss Alice Dugan. The rest of the evening was spent in dancing. The hall was prettily decorated with wild flowers.

BRIMFIELD.

Lincoln Peirce is at home for the summer vacation.

Miss Margaret Fay is the guest of Mrs. F. D. Lincoln.

Miss Georgena Whitehouse has returned from Newton Centre, where she has been making a short visit.

At the Grange held Tuesday evening, Miss M. Anna Tarbell, Elmer Agard, Milton Booth and Ernest Cooley were given the third and fourth degrees.

At the fifth annual prize speaking contest to be held next Thursday evening, Miss Kirk will deliver "King Robert of Sicily;" Miss Davenport, "The fall of Pemberton Mill;" Miss Wells, "Wit versus muscle;" Miss Guest, "How Larry sang the Angus;" Miss Plimpton, "Sam Weller's valentine;" Clarence Callahan, "How the old horse won the bet;" Mason Wells, "Sparticns to the Gladiators;" Arthur Davenport, "Regulus to the Cathaginians;" George Daniels, "Liberty and union;" Georgo Barlow, "The schoolmaster flogged."

LUDLOW.

Frank Taylor left Saturday on the Furnessia from New York for a visit at his home in Dundee, Scotland.

Court Indian Leap of Foresters met Monday evening and elected the following officers: C. R., J. D. Cowin; S. C. R., George Black; S. W., Michael Laughlan; J. W., David Fleming; R. S., W. Bennett; S. B., James Ogilvie; J. B., James Watson; trustee for 2½ years, Michael McDonald. These officers will be installed July 11 by Deputy Grand Chief Ranger John E. Connor of Chicopee.

The Christian Endeavor Society of the Union church has elected these officers for the next six months: President, George R Booth; vice president, Albert A. Gove; recording secretary, Mrs. A. H. Bartlett; treasurer, May Kyle; corresponding secretary, Mrs. L. E. Booth; lookout committee, Georgeua Ogilvie; prayer meeting committee, Mrs. L. E. Booth; social committee, Mary Kyle; missionary committee, James E. Elphinstone; music committee, Edith Crowningshield; temperance committee, Albert A. Gove; ushers, J. E. Elphinstone and William Pratt.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

Kittie Egan spent Sunday with friends in Palmer.

Mrs. William Wellington of Malden visited A. E. Bell Wednesday.

T. P. Smith of Ashfield visited his daughter, Jennie M. Smith, last week.

Miss Gertie Doyle of Holyoke has been the guest of Kittie Egan this week.

Harold James Morgan arrived at the home of Herbert and Mina Morgan the 9th, and from appearances the young man proposes to stay.

Asa H. Gates of Lincoln, Cal., is visitign his brothers, E. B. and C. H. Gates, stopping at the former's home on High street. Mr. Gates will remain East several months.

The following clipping from a Springfield daily may be of interest to many in this place: Edward A. Parker of the class of '97 at the bigh school, who is now at Colgate university, has taken a prize in oratory at that college.

Emma, dangbter of Deputy Sheriff Earl M. Scott, underwent an operation for appendicitis last week at her home, the operation being performed by Drs. R. H. Seelye and C. P. Hooker of Springfield, and Dr. A. L. Damon of this town.

BELCHERTOWN.

Mrs. Fannie Walker is visiting friends in Granby.

Miss Lizzie Blackmer visited friends in Springfield this week.

J. M. Clough is making extensive repairs on his house on Main street.

Mrs Emily Bruce is spending some time in Monson and West Brookfield.

A. J. Morse of New York is at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Morse.

State Inspector C. A. Stimson of Reynalston visited Union Grange Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Charles Marshall of Springfield is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Davis.

Mrs. George Fairbanks of Ware is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Howard.

Death of Two Aged Residents.

Mrs. Emily Richardson, 72, widow of the late Rev. Mr. Richardson, died at her home Friday morning. Mrs. Richardson had been in feeble health for some time. Of her father's family two brothers, Charles Spooner of Pawtucket, R. I., and Frank Spooner of Belchertown, are left. Of her own family a son, F. B. Richardson of New Rochelle, and a daughter, Miss Mary Richardson, survive. The funeral was held Monday at 1 p. m. and was conducted by Rev. G. J. Newton, and Rev. Mr. Richardson of Montague. The burial was in Hardwick. A quartette—Dr. I. D. Hasbrouck, B. B. Snow, Mrs. H. D. Hoag and Mrs. Arthur Bridgman—sang "Lead, kindly light," and "Jesus, lover of my soul."

Alanson Wells Stacey died Sunday, at the age of 80 years, having been in failing health for some time. He was born in Belchertown in 1818, and was a son of the late Alanson Stacey, who was also born in Belchertown and who made it his home for 87 years. Mr. Stacey had always resided here with the exception of 11 years, which he spent in Springfield as superintendent of the Atwater farm. He was the oldest member of Vernon lodge of Masons, and has served the town as selectman, and was president of the Farmers and Mechanics' Club when the society was first organized. Mr. Stacey was a man of good principles and sunny, genial disposition. He leaves a wife, a son, Avery W. Stacey, and a daughter, Delia Stacey. The funeral was held Tuesday at 1 p. m. at his late home; Rev. G. W. Locke and Rev. G. J. Newton conducted the service. Mr. Barnes of Worcester sang a solo and Mrs. H. A. Hopkins and Miss Maud Fairchild a duet. The burial was in Mt. Hope cemetery with Masonic honors; a quartette consisting of Dr. I. D. Hasbrouck, B. B. Snow, Mrs. H. A. Hopkins and Miss Maud Fairchild sang at the grave. The bearers were L. W. Dillon, H. A. Hopkins, R. I. Bridgman of Belchertown, and R. E. Fairchild of Norwich, Ct. The floral pieces included a large pillow from Vernon lodge of Masons.

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All the while you're getting colder,
And the girl is growing older,
As you cannot help but see.
Now the homeward way you've chosen;
But her nose and ears are frozen,
And she's cross as she can be.

Gladly at her house you leave her;
She thinks you a base deceiver,
And she'll never be your bride.
By the stable stove you linger,
Thawing out a frozen finger—
Then you cash up for your ride!

—*Somerville Journal.*

MY APPETITE.

An old story tells of a little girl who when asked for a definition of appetite said, "Well, when you're eatin' you're 'appy, and when you're through you're tight, and that's appetite." Now, this girl was not an etymologist, but she was a philosopher and a good one, too, which is rare. Anybody who possesses a soul and a body is happy after a large meal, when he experiences that feeling of blessed completeness, of repletion. I have seen advertisements—it seems incredible, but it is true—of medicines warranted to remove the feeling of fullness after meals. Good heavens, what do we eat for? Do we masticate and swallow for the sake of feeling that we're hollow mockeries? On the contrary, we eat and are filled, we feel that we are filled, and we are happy. And to abolish this bliss by drugs—monstrous! I myself eat well and largely most things that come in my way for recreation and digestion.

I could eat more, but I smoke. As I told my mother-in-law, I do not dare to give up smoking, because stopping off tobacco always increases the appetite, if my appetite should increase what would become of my wife and eight large children between the ages of 4 and 6? For myself I'm a vegetarian and also carnivorous. I'm not a bigot. Not eat meat? What are our canine teeth for? It is an insult to our anatomy to say we shouldn't eat flesh. The Vegetarian company, limited, would pull half our teeth and have us ruminate on a wad of grass like a cow. Nebuchadnezzar tried that for seven years, and we know he was stark, staring, grazing mad when he did it.

Then, too, I'm not too finical. Suppose there is a little sand in the sugar. I just grit my teeth and go ahead. Sand is good for the digestion—does the same work below that the grinders do above. Hens eat gravel; ostriches eat nails and the like. Goats, too, are catholic of palate. So I don't go hungry for the sake of a morbid fancy. No, as I have said, I eat commodiously. It is my instinct so to do, and instincts are heaven born, this one particularly. Nobody that follows instinct is a light eater. Look at the animals! Did you ever see a healthy dog throw a chunk of meat over his shoulder? It is true that one can eat more in winter than in summer. I'd like to live in Greenland, with a London restaurant in the front yard.—*Judy.*

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PAT HAD A SUSPICION.—Pat wauted to go from Washington to Norfolk, and excited the sympathy of a shipmaster, who agreed to let him work his passage. Pat was densely ignorant of maritime affairs, but, while going down Chesapeake bay, with a fair wind and plenty of sea-room, be was put on the lookout. He had not been there ten minutes, when he sang out: "Ah, captain, there's somethin' out here foreninst the boat!" "What is it?" asked the captain, as the lights of an approaching steamer became visible. "I really can't say, sir," replied Pat; "but I sushpect it's a drug store. There's a red and a green light!" He was immediately removed and ordered to go down and help the cook.

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SHE WAS WELL POSTED.

In the Sunday school room of an Episcopal church in Brooklyn the other day a lecture was given for the benefit of some worthy object. It was on a week day, but on the hymn board in the front of the room were what the regular members of the congregation said were the numbers of the hymns that had been sung on the Sunday before, but an outsider was struck with something peculiar about them. There were four numbers arranged in line one under the other, as is customary on the hymn boards, and they were, as they appeared to the audience gathered for a lecture, "4, 11, 44," and "7, 11."

"Why, it was the funniest thing," said a woman who was present. "I noticed it the minute I went in, and it must have been done on purpose, for there is no seven hundred and eleventh hymn in the hymnal; six hundred and something is the last. The first three were policy numbers and the last craps. Wasn't it funny?"

"Funny?" said the friend, who was listening to the joke. "I should say so. But not so much the numbers being there as that you should know what they meant. Now, confess, how in ever did you?"—*New York Times.*

IT WAS ALL RIGHT.

The gray haired stranger bent over the desk.

"Are you the society editor?" he questioned.

"I am the identical," said the flippant young man.

"Are you the person who wrote up the account of the Munn reception?"

"Yes. Anything wrong about it?"

"That's what I want to find out. Look here. You notice that in speaking of my daughter you use this paragraph: 'She swept about the room with an inherited grace that caught everyone.' Now, what was your purpose in writing that?"

"Why, it struck me as a first-class chance for a neat compliment to her esteemed parents; that's all."

"Sure you didn't mean to insinuate that her father laid the foundation of his fortune by peddling brooms?"

"Certainly not."

"Because I did, you know."

"I didn't know it."

"Then that's all right. Good night."—*Cleveland Plain Dealer.*

SHAPE OF THE EARTH.

The shape of the earth was suspected by some philosophers even in ancient times, but the idea that a continent existed on the side opposite Europe does not appear to have entered the mind of any one previous to the twelfth century, when its possible existence was alluded to by two or three authors, from whom it is supposed Columbus received hints as to the feasibility of sailing around the globe. Sir John Mandeville, who lived nearly two centuries before the time of Columbus, stoutly maintained that not only was the earth round, but that if he had ships and men courageous enough to take a three years' voyage he would venture to circumnavigate the globe. Even in time of Columbus, however, the prevalent idea among the people was that the earth was flat, and many believed it to be square. There is nothing in the history of any nation, even the Chinese, who claim to be the most ancient, to indicate a popular belief in the gobular shape of the earth.—*St. Louis Globe-Democrat.*

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THINGS SEEN.

If one wants to get a glimpse of perfect satisfaction with one's self, let him go look in a certain New York drug store. A cat sits there in the window, gazing serenely out at the passers-by, whose neck is not only adorned with a leather collar and a bit of red ribbon as well, but the tips of whose ears are pierced and set out with a pair of diamond carrings a coquette might envy. (The diamonds may be rhinestones, but the effect is the same.)

Since there are only men in the store, and the cat has evidently been adorned by one of them, the passer-by is led to wonder whether a woman's vanity is always at work with her own adornment. Does a man's own instinct never play a part in it? And who can tell whether Eve's first garland was not the result of one of Adam's idle hours?

That cats, like the rest of us, are susceptible, no one will deny. They pine without demonstrations, and flourish under them. Have two of them in the same house, dress one up and neglect the other, and the one denied a decoration wastes away. This is fact, not fancy. And what is true of cats is true of us all perhaps. Not many of us survive lines of distinction that are too finely drawn.—*Harper's Bazar.*

TROUBLES OF HER OWN.

She was a thin old lady and climbed into the car at Kingston with many hesitating turns of the head, and when her big black valise and other bundles had been piled upon the seat in front of her she pushed back her red striped shawl and looked out of the window with an air of contentment. The train had not proceeded many miles, however, before she began to fumble among her bundles in a nervous sort of way and suddenly she broke out in a most pitiful wail:

"I knowed it! Laws a massa, what will I do?"

The passengers all looked sympathizingly toward her. The kindly old man across the aisle went over to her and said:

"My good woman, what is the trouble? Can't we do anything for you?"

"Oh, man, I can't hear it! Let me off! Stop the train! Stop it quick!"

The old man gave the bellcord a vigorous pull and the train came to an abrupt halt.

"What's the matter here?" asked the conductor sharply, as he came in from the forward car.

"Why," aohbed the old lady, "I plum forgot thet peck o' turnips I had saved up to take to my son John Henry in Atlanta."—*Atlanta Journal.*

CRAMP IN THE LEG.

Many persons of both sexes are greatly troubled with cramp in one or both of their legs. It comes on suddenly and is very severe. Most people jump out of bed (it nearly always comes on either just after going to bed or while undressing) and ask some one to rub the leg.

There is nothing easier than to make the spasm let go its hold, and it can be accomplished without sending for a doctor, who may be tired and in need of a good night's rest. When I have a patient who is subject to cramp, I always advise him to provide himself with a good strong cord. A long garter will do if nothing else is handy. When the cramp comes on, take the cord, wind it around the leg over the place that is cramped and take an end in each hand and give it a sharp pull—one that will hurt a little. Instantly the cramp will depart, and the sufferer can go to bed assured it will not come on again that night. I have saved myself many a good night's rest simply by posting my patients subject to spasms of the legs how to use the cord as above. I have never known it to fail, and I have tried it after they had worked half the night and the patient was in the most intense agony.—*New York Ledger.*

He—"Selling silk at 13 cents? I don't see how they can do it." She—"Of course, they have some police there."—*Detroit Journal.*

What Each Day Wills.

Wouldst thou fashion for thyself a seemly life?
Then fret not ever what is past and done;
And spite of all thou mayest have lost behind,
Yet act as if thy life had just begun.
What each day wills, enough for thee to know;
What each day wills the day itself will tell.
Do thine own task, and be therewith content.
What others do, that shalt thou fairly judge,
Be sure that thou no mortal brother hate;
Then all besides leave to the master Power.

—*Goethe.*

The common problem, yours, mine, every one's,
Is not to fancy what were fair in life,
Provided it could be; but finding first
What may be; then find how to make it fair
Up to our means.

—*Browning.*

FRILLS OF FASHION.

The new ribbons are plaids and stripes in the prettiest colors imaginable.

Black poppies, roses and violets are the prevailing blossoms in the new spring hats.

White velvet, as well as white breitschwanz, is used for the crown of the fur trimmed toque.

The latest ties for women are the sailor knots of silk tied with broad ends, sometimes trimmed with tiny plaited frills.

A new and rather extraordinary skirt model has a tunic back and front of an entirely different material from the underskirt.

Black crepe de chine gowns are very much worn and very prettily trimmed with narrow ruffles of the same, edged with black guipure or chantilly lace.

The latest novelty in feather boas has six ends, three on each side, and fastens at the neck with a jeweled ornament, which in general is set with rhinestones.

Wylbowye is the name of a new corset which is recommended for stout women. An extra piece laces over the hips in such an effectual manner that the figure is very much improved.

If you would wear a white veil, it must be of the daintiest, most cobwebby lace, with diamond dots and two or three black spots to give the effect of court plaster. This is termed the Castellane veil.

Roman striped sashes with deep knotted sewing silk fringe on the ends are revived again in all the gorgeous colors, and the latest necktie is of Roman ribbon, tied in a four-in-hand knot with tiny fringe trimmed ends.

Freshen your half worn chiffon waist by adding a black velvet bolero made with small revers covered with silk and network of jet. Colored velvets are also pretty for this purpose if the bodice is of white or cream.

Blue ostrich feathers sprinkled with silver are a pretty decoration for the hair with evening dress. Other novelties are the Louis Seize bows of velvet ribbon combined with aigrets. Twists of chiffon and gold gauze are also worn.—*New York Sun.*

CANNIBALISM IN AUSTRALIA.

While the authoress of "A Flower Hunter in Queensland" saw nothing but charm in the beauty of the tropical forests, except as regarded the snakes and the stinging insects and the chance of meeting a casual crocodile, she found, alas, no good thing among the Australian natives. It is strange to think that they are cannibals still, even close to our towns. At one place where Mrs. Rowan staid the natives had killed and eaten a Chinaman only a few days before her visit. At another place "they told me," she says, "that on that very afternoon high revelry had been going on in the native camp as they feasted off the roasted remains of an old woman, who had been allowed, against their usual custom, to die a natural death the day before."

Nor are these savages pleasant neighbors. A settler at whose house Mrs. Rowan staid at Somerset, Cape York—the only house for many miles in that part of Queensland—can still arm a hundred men, if necessary, and guns and pistols hang on the walls, ready loaded in case of a sudden attack. This gentleman gave the authoress some Spanish dollars, cemented together with coral, which had been recovered from the wreck of a warship which early in this century ran ashore on a reef near the coast and whose crew were killed and eaten by the natives. Of such tragic memories Mrs. Rowan heard even more in New Zealand, where "almost every hill is the site of an old pah. Every mountain, headland, rock and island had some history of its own—some grim tale of savage barbarity or pathetic story of love and courage."

ANIMAL DRUNKARDS.

Most of the higher animals—as monkeys, elephants, bears, horses and dogs—have a natural fondness for fermented liquors, and suffer from the abuse of these liquors as men do. From the book of Maccabes it is evident that the war elephants were maddened of old with new wine, as they have been and are with arrack down to the present time. Managers of managories and employees at the various zoological gardens know that the elephants under their care are prepared to go on a wild drunk whenever opportunity offers. Whisky is officially given them when they are ill or low—the quantity varying from five to ten gallons, according to the requiremeuts of the case. This is put into their drinking water. Bears and monkeys drink beer like German students, and love whisky equally well.

In Africa the natives make use of this evil trait to capture their poor relations. The monkeys there are extremely fond of a beer brewed by the natives. So the latter place quantities within easy reach of the monkeys and wait until their victims are thoroughly befuddled. In this state they are unable to recognize the difference between negro and ape. When the negro takes the hand of one of them to lead him off, a second monkey takes the hand of the first, a third that of the second, and so on. A single negro may sometimes be seen carrying off a string of staggering monkeys. Fresh doses of beer in decreasing quantities are administered to the captives, so that they may only gradually awaken to the sad results of their spree.—*Lippincott's.*

A little girl, six years old, was on a visit to her grandfather, an English divine, celebrated for his logical acumen. "Only think, grandpa," she said one day, "what Uncle Robert says!" "What does he say, my dear?" "He says the moon is made of green cheese. It isn't at all—is it?" "Well, suppose you find out for yourself?" "How can I, grandpa?" "Get your Bible and see what it says." "Where shall I begin?" "Oh, at the beginning, of course!" The child sat down to read the Bible. Before she had gone far in the Book of Genesis, when she had read about the creation of the stars and the animals, she came back, her eyes bright with the excitement of discovery. "I've found it, grandpa!" she exclaimed. "It isn't true, for the moon was made before the cows!"

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THE FOX AND THE RABBIT.

A FABLE.

Once a fox, being driven by some dogs, and getting far ahead, entered a wall. Then he met a gray rabbit.

"Good morning, Bob!" said the fox, with his most gracious smile.

"Good-morning, Ren!" answered the rabbit, elated that his family, the Grays, were at last recognized by the Fox folks.

The fox chatted very pleasantly, asked how burrowing was, if berries were plenty, and if he ever saw any hens straying out from farm yards into the woods.

The rabbit answered all these questions as a good rabbit should. Burrowing, he said, was slow, but berries were very red, especially the checkerberries, and as for hens, he avoided them. He never could bear a cackle! Simplicity was his motto.

"The harvest moon and frosty nights for me!" he added. "The autumn puts new life into my bones!" he continued, "and braces me right up!"

"Yes," said the fox, "I saw one of your folks braced up this morning, hanging by his neck from a sapling. But," he added, "the life was all out of him. It was at Snagg's snare."

The rabbit turned pale.

The fox now thought of the delightful breakfast he was driven from when those vulgar hounds came upon him an hour ago, but he refrained from speaking of it. He was naturally too polite and too well brought up to hurt his brother's feelings with such a ghastly tale. There are times for all things, and besides, his friend was a vegetarian. It would not do to speak of diet when taste disagreed.

He turned to other subjects; if the Hares now associated with the Grays, or were they still the old high leapers and long-lanks, changing their coats once in six months? This last as a compliment to present company.

But no, the rabbit said, the Hares still kept to themselves, and moved in their own particular circle, especially when the hounds were on track.

In fact, they were the old-time high steppers, generally on a jump, and kept themselves secluded in swamps and damp places.

Having gone the round of common subjects the fox now very suavely asked the rabbit to come and see him. The rabbit, flattered to the heart at such high courtesy, was just returning the compliment, when the bark of dogs was heard. It came nearer and nearer, and was now at the wall.

The rabbit crouched and trembled.

The fox sat high on his haunches and thought.

"This is very unfair of you, Mr. Fox! very unfair, and very wrong to bring all of this—your troubles—upon me!" said the frightened rabbit.

"It was the smell of your feet on the wet leaves that brought those awful—"

The deep bay of the foremost hound, not two feet away, now closed the sentence.

"I know," answered the Fox in the lull outside, "but if you want the acquaintance of your betters as your equals, you must first be prepared to share their troubles and take their risks!"

The rabbit was saying he thought this unfair under the circumstances, and the fox was thinking out a wise, proper, most gracious and, on the whole, sufficiently foxy answer, when the rough voices of men were heard at the wall.

The fox and rabbit listened.

The men began to tear down the wall. At first they went the wrong way, and the fox laughed.

Then they turned, and the fox looked serious.

They came nearer.

They were right now over their heads. There was a dull, grating, shelving sound.

Only one more stone, the second stone above the binding, or underpinning stone, remained. Under this were the fox and rabbit. It was their arch of safety.

"I'll bet it's only a little nasty gray rabbit!" said a voice.

"If I thought it was only a gray rabbit, not a fox, I would never try to lift this stone," answered the second voice. Just then the red of a great hand showed itself under the corner of the stone.

"I'll poke with this stick!" said the first voice.

"Squeal!" whispered the fox.

"Whee! whee! whee!" squealed the rabbit.

"Told you 'twas a rabbit," said the first voice.

"I'll give it up," answered the second voice.

"Come Bence! come Beauty! come Bugle!" and whistling up the dogs, the voices grew faint.

The fox now began to loosen with his paw a small flat chink stone that was under the stone that arched over them.

"What are you doing?" asked the rabbit.

"Getting ready for breakfast," said the fox.

"Don't see anything to eat!" remarked the rabbit.

"I do," said the fox, as he whetted his teeth upon the stone.

"What are you going to eat?" asked the rabbit.

"Rabbit!" answered the fox with a leer, at the same time trying his teeth on a stick.

Once more the rabbit trembled.

"Where shall I begin?" asked the fox. "Have you any objections, Bob," he continued, "if I should first strike in right here?" and he put his forepaw playfully upon the neck of the rabbit. "Or shall my teeth first go into the round of the"—he was just going to say "back" when one of the hunters, returning for his powder horn, stepped on the unchinked stone. It trembled, and and caught the fox by the tail, who bowled in pain, and was thus discovered, captured and killed, while the rabbit crawled further into the wall.—*The Independent.*

AN ELEPHANT'S CUNNING.

This is a good story of an elephant's intelligence. The animal in question was a mere baby when he was sent by an Indian prince to England as a present for Queen Victoria.

He was shipped as a deck passenger by one of the Indian mail steamers from Bombay, and as he had but attained the height of a well grown calf and was always most docile and tractable he was permitted to have the run of the decks for an hour or two every morning when the state of the weather permitted. By the sailors he was dubbed the "bos'n's mate," owing to the penchant he had for carefully picking up every loose coil of rope that he could find and then throwing it over the side, being, as Jack said, "as bad as a naval lieutenant for keeping the decks tidy."

Among other acquaintances that he formed was that of the ship's baker, whose address he soon discovered to be the place of origin of all the sweet dainties with which he was petted. Here he took to making a regular morning call for something sweet for tiffin and was generally regaled with a stale tart or piece of cake, but upon calling one morning and extending his trunk, as usual, he found that his visit was unwelcome, as something bad occurred to irritate the baker, and instead of the cake he received a blow on his trunk with the rolling pin.

The blow was not severe, but the "bos'n" turned tail and went trumpeting up the deck, where he took a post that would enable him to watch for his assailant. Before long he saw the baker leave his "shop," and mischief being his object rather than malice he promptly marched down, and with several vigorous sweeps of his trunk he swept all the shelves in the bakery clear, until loaves, tarts, cakes, patty pans and cake tins lay in confusion on the deck. This achieved, he bolted like any schoolboy and was locked up in disgrace, but upon the circumstances being known the popular verdict was in his favor, and he was allowed his liberty as before.

"Bos'n" marched down instanter to the baker, and never failed from that day to exact tribute, which was regularly paid, and from that time he and his opponent became fast friends.—*Golden Penny.*

GETTING EVEN WITH HER.—Two Joneses lived next door to each other, and having to call on one of them Brown, of course, went to the wrong house. A crabbed servant answered the bell, and on Brown asking, "Is this Mr. Jones'?" she replied snappishly, as if she had been bothered with many such inquires, "No, it ain't," and slammed the door in his face.

Brown walked on a few yards or so, when a bright thought struck him. He returned at once and rang the same bell again. Again the crabbed servant appeared.

"Who said it was?" asked Brown triumphantly and walked away.—*Exchange.*

HAD TO BE DONE.—"Must I tear myself away?" he cried.

"Alas, I fear you must!" she replied.

There was much of truth in what they said, too, for they had just discovered that some one had overturned a pot of glue on the seat on which he had thoughtlessly been sitting for the last two hours. Unless they could find the saw it was evident that he would have to tear himself away.—*Chicago Post.*

"Do you know a good tonic for nervous persons, Simpkins?"

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